

Information on Coronavirus/Covid-19

Dear Parents and guardians,

As you know, we have been very closely monitoring the situation and following advice from Public Health England and the NHS, essential in this highly dynamic situation.

We must acknowledge that Covid-19, the illness caused by the coronavirus is now characterized as a pandemic, and that our organisation, as many others will be affected at some point. Up until today we had 9 pupils tested and they were all cleared to return. 3 are being tested and awaiting results and are currently away from school. So far we have not had a positive case.

The school reinforces the guidance given by Public Health England in this situation, which has changed slightly, and we ask everyone to act responsibly. For the health and safety of everyone at the school, it is important that you follow this advise.

As per government and medical guidance the school remains open until further notice.

Please observe and adhere to the following guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

“Irrespective of countries where you have recently travelled from, stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- a high temperature
- a new continuous cough

This will help to protect others in your community while you are infectious.

Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

You do not need to contact NHS 111 to tell them you're staying at home.

NHS will not be testing those self-isolating with mild symptoms.

If you are self-isolating and your symptoms have either worsened or stayed the same after 7 days, then you should call NHS 111 for further advice.”

If you keep your children at home because they have developed a high temperature or a new continuous cough, you should excuse your child from lessons using the school's telephone number in cases of sickness (02089391818). If your child does not attend school for this reason, please quote “Self-Isolating due to NHS guidance in relation to Coronavirus”.

All international class trips are suspended until further notice.

Other class trips and excursions of the school will be reassessed for coronavirus risk and can only be authorised to go ahead by the head of school. Events at the school planned to take place until the Easter break will also be reassessed in terms of risk. Parents will be informed about any changes to existing schedules.

A final very important note: We have a zero tolerance policy in regards to bullying at the school. It is without question that this also applies to any situation around the coronavirus and against fellow pupils as well as against any members of staff or the school community.

Any violation will be met by disciplinary sanctions.

You'll find this information and all previous letters concerning this topic in a special section of our website:

<https://dslondonorguk.finalsite.com/nachrichten/coronavirus-covid-19-information>

These are unusual and challenging times. We must stay calm. Together we can meet this challenge.

With kind regards,
DSL School Management

The poster features the HM Government logo and the NHS logo. The main text reads: **CORONAVIRUS WASH YOUR HANDS MORE OFTEN FOR 20 SECONDS**. Below this, it says: **Use soap and water or a hand sanitiser when you:** Get home or into work, Blow your nose, sneeze or cough, Eat or handle food. A small box contains the text: **CORONAVIRUS PROTECT YOURSELF & OTHERS**. At the bottom, it says: For more information and the Government's Action Plan go to nhs.uk/coronavirus.

The graphic includes the HM Government logo and the NHS logo. It features three icons: a hand with a blue droplet, a blue bin, and a hand with a blue droplet. The text reads: **CATCH IT. BIN IT. KILL IT.**