

Dear Parent,

KCA Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update:

Coronavirus has now been declared a public health emergency of international concern and has spread to numerous countries around the World. Numerous cases of Covid-19 have been confirmed in the UK and the Chief Medical Officers have advised the risk to the public is moderate.

We prioritise safety and are committed to reducing the risk of spread to everyone at KCA and are adhering to Government¹, Public Health² and The Department for Education³ guidance on managing the risk from Covid-19 (Coronavirus). We have also drafted internal procedures to help us react quickly in the event of a direct link to any one of our services so we can effectively manage the situation.

We are committed to reducing the risk by ensuring effective hygiene practises are in place for both children and staff as advised by Public Health England:

- Wash hands frequently with soap, especially before eating or handling food, after toilet visits, or when hands are contaminated by respiratory secretions after coughing or sneezing.
- Covering their mouth and nose with a tissue when sneezing or coughing, and to discard the tissue immediately into a bin.
- No sharing of food/ drinks/ utensils, toothbrushes or towels with others.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces, toys and equipment regularly and when contaminated by nasal or oral secretions.
- Ensure supplies such as hand soap, tissues, and paper towels are available for children and staff's use.
- We remain vigilant in ensuring regular and effective cleaning is carried out and our housekeeping is of a high standard. We continually monitor the health of children in our care and will react quickly in the event of any rise in temperature or changes in behaviour.

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

2 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas-with-implications-for-returning-travellers-or-visitors-arriving-in-the-uk#italy>

3 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

4 <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19#preventing-spread-of-infection>

Kind regards,
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