



# HENLEY-IN-ARDEN SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardians

We are aware of press coverage regarding Covid-19 (Corona Virus) and along with all schools in the area are taking **precautionary** measures and making plans accordingly. **We would like to stress that currently there is no concern at Henley in Arden School.**

As parents, you should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. We have been advised to share the most recent government guidance - <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

In the event that you or members of your family have returned from one of the identified areas within the **Category 1 list below** in the past 14 days it is **essential** that they do not attend school for a period of 14 days in accordance with the advice issued by the Government. If this is the case can you please call NHS 111, stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have symptoms.

You must also inform us immediately of your child's absence in the normal way so that we can monitor your child's absence and inform the NHS Health protection team.

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy (see this [map](#))
- Special care zones in South Korea (see this [map](#))
- Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days – see this [map](#))

Please follow the national guidance for all other foreign travel. If you or members of your family have returned from the places on the Category 2 list below in the past 14 days and develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS 111 and also inform us of your child's absence in the normal way.

- Northern Italy (anywhere north of Pisa, Florence and Rimini)
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar

**You do not need to follow this advice if you have no symptoms.**

Please note that except for children falling into one of the categories above, all students should continue to attend school as normal. In the case of unusual patterns of or unexplained absence, we may ask parents to provide evidence that travel to one of these areas has recently taken place and/or that symptoms match those expected of Corona Virus.





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The spread of the virus will be significantly reduced through good hygiene. Please could you stress to your children the importance of washing hands thoroughly with soap and water. Whilst you may, as we do, stress this all the time, with the current health situation it is clearly important to emphasise the significance of this precaution to prevent the spread of any virus.

We will monitor this situation very closely and do our best to keep you informed and updated with any changes to national guidance.

Yours sincerely

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