

## ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Dear Parents.

Understandably we have received a number of enquiries from parents in reference to the ongoing coronavirus outbreak. As a school we are following the guidelines from Public Health England which include:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin.
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

## Hygiene and prevention:

According to PHE, good hygiene is the best prevention. Use the steps above to help protect you and your family. There's lots of advice online at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.

## DfE helpline:

The Department for Education have launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows if they have any worries or concerns.

- Phone: 0800 046 8687
- Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk
- Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

We receive daily updates from Public Health England and today's states that no education or children's social care setting should close in response to a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case unless advised to do so by Public Health England.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Fenna Headteacher

