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Dear parent or carer

I would like to update you:

Coronavirus: What You Need To Know.

While schools in the UK are a low-risk setting, it is our responsibility, as a school, to make sure parents and carers are well informed of the recommended guidelines. This is especially important for those who have recently returned from abroad. The government body, Public Health England, recently updated their official guidance for educational settings regarding COVID-19, the virus commonly referred to as the coronavirus. We encourage all parents to read our full summary of the guidelines here:

<https://www.devizesschool.co.uk/school-news/the-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know>

Please also take a look at the **Public Health England poster** attached to this email. Students are also being directed to this poster, and particularly the advice around personal hygiene.

The full government guidelines [can be found here](#) and the latest information and advice from the government [can be found here](#).

Other news:

Term 4 has started very positively and we are focusing on attendance, **standards** and rewarding kindness - one of our key **values**. With regards to standards, thank you to the vast majority of parents who ensure that your children attend school wearing the correct uniform. This is very important because it helps us maintain high standards across the school. A reminder though about the following guidelines which we have noticed some students are not following.

- No hoodies in school. Coats and blazers only.
- No nose piercings. These need to be removed during school hours.
- Mobile phones should not be used on school site at any point during the day.

Consultation regarding the proposal to sell school land is still on-going. Updates are available on the website. Additional focus group meetings have taken place this week for students, staff and governors. We will continue to keep you updated.

Thank you as always for your on-going support.

Yours sincerely

Phil Bevan
Principal

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