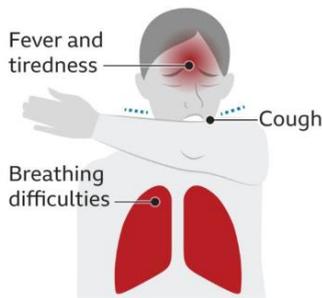
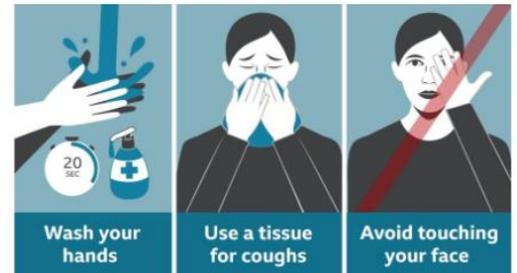


Friday 13th March 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

The Learning Academies Trust has been closely following all communications issued from the Department for Education and the latest government advice regarding Coronavirus.

Please be assured that we are continuing to work with our premises teams to ensure the highest standards of cleanliness within our schools. We are promoting and actively encouraging the Public Health England guidelines with children, staff and all visitors. We also have alcohol-based sanitisers throughout our schools. Further guidance can be found on the [government website](#) or the [NHS online](#).



As a result of the government stepping up measures and moving into the 'delay' stage, if your child has a new cough or high temperature (above 37.8 C), they would need to isolate for 7 days. In this instance, you should follow the government [stay at home guidance](#) and immediately inform the school.

The key messages in the stay at home guidance are:

- if you have symptoms of coronavirus infection (COVID-19), however mild, stay at home and do not leave your house for 7 days from when your symptoms started.
- this action will help protect others in your community whilst you are infectious.
- plan ahead and ask others for help to ensure that you can successfully stay at home.
- ask your employer, friends and family to help you to get the things you need to stay at home.
- stay at least 2 metres (about 3 steps) away from other people in your home whenever possible.
- sleep alone, if that is possible.
- wash your hands regularly for 20 seconds, each time using soap and water.
- stay away from vulnerable individuals such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions as much as possible.
- you do not need to call NHS111 to go into self-isolation. If your symptoms worsen during home isolation or are no better after 7 days contact [NHS 111 online](#). If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999.



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The Department for Education continues to keep schools updated on the government's response to Coronavirus and have launched a designated helpline to answer any questions you may have. Staff and parents can access this by:

Telephone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

In the event of a future school closure, we will be in contact again with specific information about how we will continue to support your child's learning.

If you have any questions or concerns please do get in touch. We hope you all stay safe during what are quite extraordinary times.

Yours sincerely,

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