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COVID – 19 UPDATE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Following government announcements yesterday and the change from the **Containment** phase of the Coronavirus Action Plan to the **Delay** phase, we want to reassure all parents and families that we will continue to follow all guidance we are being given. Please see the link below from Public Health England, which was updated yesterday.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public#recent-government-action>

The advice and guidance we have been given today is detailed below:

To support the delay of the spread of the virus, the Department for Health and Social Care has asked anyone who shows certain symptoms to stay at home for 7 days, regardless of whether they have travelled to affected areas. This means people should stay at home and avoid all but essential contact with others for 7 days from the point of displaying mild symptoms, to slow the spread of infection. **If your child or children display the symptoms described below, please isolate them at home for 7 days.**

- A high temperature (37.8 degrees and above)
- A new, continuous cough

You do not need to call NHS 111 to stay at home. If your symptoms worsen during your stay at home period or are no better after 7 days contact NHS 111 online at 111.nhs.uk. If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999.

The advice remains that schools do not need to close, however, we are putting plans in place for continued Home Learning to take place in case of closure, either because we are instructed to close, or because of reduced staff numbers.

We will also keep you updated with plans and guidance in the coming days.

Thank you for all of your support. Please be reassured that we are continuing to follow guidance and encourage good hygiene throughout our Federation community.

Kind regards,

Miss J. Concannon
Federation Headteacher