Redwood Secondary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are aware that there are many reports in the media surrounding Coronavirus-COVID 19 and that daily updates from the Government are being held with potentially new advice for Schools.

There is still no cause for concern at the School, but we will continue to keep you informed about any developments and ensure we are keeping the school clean to prevent the spread of any virus.

Coronavirus can cause flu-like symptoms including fever; cough and difficulty breathing however, these symptoms do not necessarily mean you have the illness. Current guidance suggests if you have a **temperature of 37.8C** (which is higher than your usual resting temperature) or a **new dry persistent cough**, you are advised to self-isolate for 7 days, this means stay at home and away from other people. Additionally, if someone in your household is exhibiting symptoms you should self-isolate for 14 days as a household.

As a precautionary measure we have taken the decision to postpone all Parent events, external visitors onsite and educational trips offsite (including swimming). As this will affect our student's daily routines, we ask that you support your child at this difficult time.

The Government advice as cases of COVID 19 increase, older people and those with a low immune system and underlying medical issues will be advised to cut social contact and stay at home. **If you feel your child has either a low immune system and/ or underlying /complex medical issues, we strongly recommend, in line with government guidance, that you do not send your child in School**. Please be assured that parents will not be penalised for putting their family's health first and that any absence relating to this present issue will be recorded as Y code (authorised absence).

Yours Sincerely,

Ms C John
Headteacher