

Dear Staff, Parents and Carers,

12 March 2020 - Statement update from Nexus Education Schools Trust (NEST)

This information has been sent following the updated Government guidance today.

The government advice is If any pupils or staff members develop symptoms, as listed below, they must **stay at home for seven days**:-

The link to the government advice:- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are **recent** onset of:

- new continuous cough, and/or high temperature
- a high temperature above 37.8 degrees centigrade

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild infection.

If anyone become ill during the school day they will also be sent home and asked to remain at home for 7 days.

Please be aware this may affect staffing numbers, as class groups and lesson may need to be changed to accommodate staffing levels, we will continue to take this action on the advice of government.

Schools will continue to prioritise handwashing and hygiene routines for all members of our school communities.

These measures are designed to reduce the peak, increase the delay and ease pressures on the NHS. Please support this government initiative to delay the virus and if you have **new** symptoms, please do not come to school.

Yours sincerely

NEST Central Team

Latest Government information

12 March Updates on Coronavirus:
<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Travel advice for those travelling and living overseas:
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>

Government advice on hygiene
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/public-information-campaign-focuses-on-handwashing>