



# BARWELL CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

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Dear families,

As I am sure that most of you are aware, yesterday the government announced that we are entering the second phase of its response to COVID-19 which is delaying its spread. I know that this is a worrying time for many, especially if you have vulnerable people in your family. Our approach as a school is to take the health and safety of everyone extremely seriously but without building up any anxiety within our school family.

Because we are now in the delay phase, the advice has changed and we will be following this advice which is detailed below:

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

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature

For most people, coronavirus will be a mild infection.

### Key Messages

- if your child has symptoms of coronavirus, however mild, keep them at home and do not let them leave the house for 7 days from when their symptoms started
- let school know that your child has these symptoms and will be isolated for 7 days
- plan ahead and ask others for help to ensure that you can successfully keep them at home
- try to keep them 2 metres (about 3 steps) away from other people in your home whenever possible
- Encourage them to sleep alone if possible
- Ensure that they wash their hands regularly for 20 seconds, each time using soap and water
- If possible keep them away from vulnerable individuals such as the elderly and those with underlying health conditions as much as possible

The advice is now not to call NHS 111 to let them know you are self-isolating. If their symptoms worsen during home isolation or are no better after 7 days contact NHS 111 online (<https://111.nhs.uk/>). If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999.

Kind regards

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