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Dear Families and Students,

LATEST GUIDANCE: Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The UK Government has issued updated guidance on managing Coronavirus (COVID-19). We continue to follow all such guidance with a planned response.

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

There remains no confirmed cases in East Sussex and people should not be unduly worried about the possibility of catching the coronavirus. However, latest guidance recommends to stay at home for 7 days if you have either:

- A high temperature; or,
- A new continuous cough.

Staying at home will help protect others in your community while you are infectious.

Please notify the school on the first day of self-isolation and do not return for 7 days. Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital. Your child should remain at home at all times.

You do not need to contact NHS 111 to tell them you're staying at home.

<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>

If you are at all concerned about symptoms contact NHS111 or use their online service.

<https://111.nhs.uk/service/COVID-19/>

If you do so, please notify the school and share any additional advice.

The school will continue to monitor events closely and follow UK Government guidance. We have well-rehearsed contingency plans in case there is a need to act quickly and will communicate with families through text, website and our usual social media channels.

The school's website address is www.ryecollege.co.uk and contains up-to-date details of our response.

Please be assured that at all times, we continue to act in the best interests of our young people and families.

Yours sincerely,

D. Downes
Head of College