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Dear parents and carers

## Coronavirus (COVID-19): Update

On Tuesday I wrote to inform you that a group of twenty sixth form students and three members of staff have recently returned from a half term ski trip to Pampeago in Northern Italy.

As a precaution, we advised our staff and students that were on the ski trip to remain at home this week and to seek medical advice if they have any flu-like symptoms.

I am pleased to inform you that our three members of staff on the trip have been cleared as being medically fit and able to return to school from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Most of the sixth form students will also return to school, but a couple are still unwell with colds and flu and therefore will continue to stay at home until they are fully recovered.

The Chief Medical Officers' advice is regularly updated, as this is clearly a changing and dynamic situation. If you have any concerns regarding the Coronavirus, please refer to the government guidance, which can be found at:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public

A Public Health England blog can also be followed at:

https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-needto-know/

I would like to thank you for your common sense approach to the situation in school and for your support and understanding during a challenging week. I also would like to publically thank our fantastic Office Staff for their good grace and professionalism in dealing with an unprecedented number of calls and enquiries from members of the general public and the media.

Yours sincerely,

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