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Update re: Corona Virus

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware the school has been shut for one day, waiting for advice from Public Health England following someone in a member of staff's family returning from Northern Italy after a Ski trip.

The school has been in regular contact with Public Health England today in order to ensure that we have clear information and guidance about the situation.

I can assure you that there are currently no cases amongst staff or students at the ContinU Plus Academy.

I have also discussed the potential risk to whole school community and established the following from Public Health England:

There is no need to prolong the school closure, and following a deep clean school will reopen tomorrow morning.

If a case of COVID-19 (student or staff) is confirmed in an education setting:

The childcare or educational setting will be contacted by the local Public Health England Health Protection Team to discuss the case, identify people who have been in contact with them and advise on any actions or precautions that should be taken. An assessment of each childcare or education setting will be undertaken by the Health Protection Team with relevant staff. Advice on the management of students and staff will be based on this assessment.

We are all mindful of the sensible health precautions around hygiene at this current time and I would urge you to continue to be appropriately observant of this and your son/daughters' general health and take a common sense approach.

Please find the link below to the NHS advice website for further guidance.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Also, a reminder of the symptoms to look out for:

- a cough
- a high temperature
- shortness of breath

But these symptoms do not necessarily mean they have the illness. The symptoms are similar to other illnesses that are much more common, such as cold and flu.

Thanks for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sara Devo', followed by a period.

Sara Devo
Head teacher