

6th March 2020

Hello parents,

We know many parents continue to be concerned about the spread of Coronavirus. We do not currently have any suspected cases of Coronavirus. As we advised you on Monday, we have stopped handshaking for the time being and we are hand sanitising on entry to the OYS and handwashing on entry to YYS as we have sinks in YYS classrooms. We are washing hands regularly and hand sanitising throughout the day.

Parents continue to be advised to monitor their children's health closely and if children develop the following symptoms – a cough, high temperature and shortness of breath – parents are advised to keep their children at home and seek medical advice by calling 111. Please contact the school immediately to let us know if you, or anyone who you have contact with, contracts the virus.

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>

Public Health England blog:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

Primary parents evening continues on Monday 9th March

- Thank you to all the parents who came for parents evening on Monday
- We look forward to seeing the rest of you next week on Monday 9th March
- A reminder that the primary school (Nursery -Year 6) closes at 1.30pm to allow these meetings to take place
- You will see your child's work in their classroom and find out how your child is progressing in their learning.
- For parents of children who normally go to Let Me Play, these children will be supervised until the time you normally pick them up either at 4.30pm or 6pm.

Year 11 and 13 Secondary parents evening Wednesday 25th March

At the end of this term, just before the Easter holidays, we would like to invite all parents of pupils in Year 11 and Year 13 for a final parent meeting before the summer exams. This meeting will take place on the afternoon of **Wednesday 25th March**.

In this meeting we will share with you a copy of the exam timetable, a booklet explaining the additional revision lessons that pupils have been invited to and a plan for how pupils should be studying over the holidays and during the final months before their exams.

Appointments will take place between 1.20pm and 5pm and will last at least ten minutes. The appointments will be led by the relevant Form Teacher or Head of Year for almost all pupils, with the

families of some pupils being invited to attend an additional meeting straight after with a Senior Leader. When you log in to the online booking system, it may appear that more than one teacher is available to select, please do though only select one teacher.

Please [*click here*](#) access the online system which will open at 5.30pm and please make sure you have booked your appointment by **Friday 20th March, 12pm**.

World Book Day: Thursday 5th March

- We've had a great day celebrating World Book Day. Thank you to everyone who made such an effort with their costumes. You can see the winning costumes in each class [*here*](#).

Other events this week

- [Nursery trip to the Fire Station](#)
- [Year 10 visit to Cambridge University](#)
- [Year 12 Physics Trip](#)
- Year 12 Ministry of Defence trip

Next week is British Science Week 6th – 15th March 2020

- We will be celebrating British Science Week throughout the school on both sites.
- There is a poster competition that all children can enter, based on the theme of 'Our diverse planet.' This could include diversity about the science world, about the animal kingdom, about careers in science or known science facts.
- Talk to your children about their understanding of the science world and encourage them to create an A4 or A3 poster. (Paper can be given by teachers at school.) It has to be flat so it can be posted to the competition organisers to be judged. Recyclable materials are allowed to be used to enhance the creativity and engagement of the poster.
- The competition closes on Friday 15th March 2020 and will be judged by teachers. 5 entries within each age category will be sent to the competition organisers to be judged. This is Nursery/Reception, Year 1-Year 3, Year 4-Year 6, Year 7-Year 9.
- Good luck, scientists!
- We will also be celebrating with science themed morning messages, assemblies and special lessons – lots to look forward to!

Coffee Morning

Coffee morning next week will be a meeting of the Parent Council Fundraising and Events Committee, led by Ms. Woolf. You can see next half term's schedule [*here*](#).

**Best wishes,
King Solomon Academy**