

## ONLINE LEARNING

### Stover Senior School

COVID-19 (coronavirus) update 13th March 2020

Following the latest government update, we are continuing to assess the situation with regards to COVID-19.

Please can we remind you of the new advice from Public Health England:

Individuals that have a new cough or a temperature of 37.8c or above are asked to self-isolate at home for a minimum of 7 days. Individuals that have been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 are asked to self-isolate at home even if they are symptom free. You should follow the advice sheet

<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>

The school has been in contact with Edwin Doran the tour operator for the South Africa trip and Camps International regarding the Uganda trip who will be producing a plan and advice for the school in the near future.

We ask that you carefully consider any travel plans over Easter. Please review the information provided by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>. Note that there are a number of countries that will not allow UK residents to cross their borders, so check the travel advice from the FCO regarding individual countries <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>.

We continue to be in regular contact with Public Health England and the Department for Education Coronavirus Helpline and will reflect any of the medical advice given. Finally, we re-iterate the "Catch It – Kill It – Bin It" campaign and the advice about washing hands thoroughly and frequently

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All school events are being reviewed on a case-by-case basis. In order to protect our community, decisions may be taken to cancel or postpone and we thank you for your understanding and support with regards any changes to the calendar.

We are well-prepared, should the government make the decision to close schools, and from Monday 16th March there will be 2 week programme of online education available, to provide education up to the Easter break. These materials will be updated after the Easter break, if necessary. Any pupils who are isolating due to a new cough or a high temperature may wish to access these materials, if they feel well enough to do so. You may be aware that the pupils have been practising accessing online platforms. Further details will follow to support any on-line education after Easter should the school be directed to close. Please see the relevant guidance attached to this email.

Kind regards,

Mr RWD Notman, Headmaster