**ANGLESEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent,

We have had some concerns raised around the recent Coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), so I thought I would provide you with the latest advice from the Department for Education.

The main messages are:

* No school should close in response to a suspected (or confirmed) COVID-19 case unless directed to do so by Public Health England.
* Personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19. Please share simple and effective hand hygiene messages.

We are ensuring the children are receiving reminders throughout the day to wash their hands, this is a good message to deliver anyway in terms of hygiene and we would appreciate if you could reinforce this message at home.

For this reason, **school will remain open** unless we are directed otherwise by Public Health England.

Some parents have been concerned around the children going swimming during this time. There is no proven link between swimming and contracting Coronavirus and your child will be expected to attend swimming sessions as normal. Children now also travel to swimming by coach which reduces the time they are out in the cold.

The Department for Education has launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687 - Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk - Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday).

We hope this will provide some reassurance to you.

Yours faithfully,

P Doddridge

Head Teacher