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Dear Parent/Caregiver

You would have seen in the media a continuing concern regarding the Novel Coronavirus.

The Department of Health advises that the risk of transmission remains low; they are monitoring the situation. The Department of Education is acting on their advice and in conjunction with the Catholic and independent sectors, are implementing necessary precautions for all public and non-government schools across Western Australia.

The Department of Health has directed that any individual who has **returned from Hubei Province of China must isolate themselves from the workplace or school for a period of 14 days from the day they left Hubei Province.** Please read the advice [here](#).

The Department of Health advise that if a student has been in contact with someone who has contracted the virus, they should seek medical advice and stay away from school until they are clear of symptoms for 14 days.

As an extra precaution, if a student has travelled to or through China or Hong Kong in the past two weeks, parents are asked to keep them away from school for a period of 14 days from the date they returned to Perth.

This is a precaution as the incubation period for this virus can be up to 14 days. After that time, and no symptoms, the student may attend school.

A factsheet for parents regarding the Novel Coronavirus is attached. Should you have any further concerns regarding the risk to your child, please refer to www.health.wa.gov.au/coronavirus or ring the helpline on 1800 300 243.

As the lead agency, the Department of Health will monitor the situation and we will act on their advice and the school will keep you updated as appropriate.

If your child is in this situation, please email Student Services on perthmodern.studentservices@education.wa.edu.au to confirm the return to school date. Based on this information suitable school work will be arranged for your child to ensure their studies can continue.

Yours sincerely

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