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Letter to all Parents/Carers

Dear Parent/Carer

The Council has understandably received enquiries from schools and parents in relation to advice regarding coronavirus (COVID-19). Please see information below that we trust will help keep you advised of the approaches being taken to ensure that everyone is made aware of the important national guidance and advice we have been asked to follow.

On Friday 27 February 2020, the Council issued a communication received from the Scottish Government to all schools and nurseries. This communication contained guidance from Health Protection Scotland that would assist schools in providing advice for children, pupils, staff and parents carers in relation to:

- the coronavirus;
- how to help prevent the spread of all respiratory infections including COVID-19;
- what to do if someone confirmed or suspected to have COVID-19 has been in a school or educational setting; and
- what advice to give to individuals who have travelled from risk areas within the last 14 days

To date there have been no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in any Perth & Kinross school (staff or pupils). However, we fully understand that you may have concerns and therefore would urge you to note and follow the national advice being given. General public advice can be accessed via www.NHSInform.Scot/coronavirus. We would ask that you always check their website for the latest version of publications.

The Council social media streams will also be updated at

- <http://www.twitter.com/perthandkinross> and
- <http://www.facebook.com/Perthandkinross>

I trust that you will find this information helpful and that it provides you with assurances that national guidance is being followed. We will also be reinforcing good hand and respiratory hygiene among pupils and we would ask for your support in this. **Please be assured that the health and wellbeing of pupils and staff is of paramount importance.**

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Boland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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