



## Coronavirus Update – 3 March 2020

Dear Families,

We wish to continue with our communication updates regarding the COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

As the situation is unfolding both globally and locally, we continue to monitor all government advice and take precautionary and reactionary actions based on this.

In line with the Federal and State government advice as at 2 March 2020, we request that all families, children, team members and visitors to Oac campuses abide by the following quarantine requirements:

- If you or your children have left, or transited through mainland China in the last 14 days, you must isolate yourself for 14 days from the date of leaving mainland China
- If you or your children have left, or transited through Iran on or after 1 March you must isolate yourself for 14 days from the date of leaving Iran
- If you have been in close contact with a proven case of coronavirus, you must isolate yourself for 14 days from the date of last contact with the confirmed case
- If you or your children are returning from Italy or South Korea you should monitor your health for the next 14 days.

In addition to the above, and consistent with our previous communications, we also have the following measures in place across all Oac campuses and offices:

- Any person or child showing signs or symptoms of any serious illness or infectious disease (including but not limited to fever, cough, sore throat, diarrhoea, vomiting, and other flu like symptoms) should not enter the campus until symptoms resolve and as per our current policy and procedures
- Any confirmed case of Novel Coronavirus will be excluded from care until they are medically cleared to return
- For any children who present with flu-like symptoms whilst in Oac's care, families will be contacted to pick up their child immediately as per our current policy and procedures
- If you have concerns regarding your own or your child's health, please seek medical advice
- As recommended by public health experts, please maintain high hygiene practices:
  - Frequently clean hands using alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water
  - When coughing and sneezing, cover mouth and nose with elbow or tissue – throw tissue away immediately and wash hands
  - Avoid close contact with anyone who has a fever and/or cough

As always, all Oac campus teams will ensure safe childcare practices are followed, including an increased focus on children's hand washing procedures, hygiene, and monitoring of general health and wellbeing.



You can find more information and the latest government advice regarding Coronavirus on the Department of Health's website:

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert>

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please speak to your Campus Director, or contact the Oac Family Support Team on 138 622 (option 1) or [familysupport@oac.edu.au](mailto:familysupport@oac.edu.au).

As always, the health and wellbeing of the children in our care, their families and our team members is our highest priority.

We appreciate your support as we continue our focus on this.

Kind Regards,

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