

# A Note from...



**John Fowler**  
TCS HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Families,

I am writing with an update on Coronavirus. The latest information from the CDC and WHO suggest that COVID-19 does not seem to easily spread from those who do not have active symptoms. This is good news and indicates that public health organizations have a better chance of stemming the spread of the virus. That said, the CDC expects an increase in cases in the U.S. The primary recommendation from the health organizations continues to be that handwashing, disinfecting surfaces, and isolating those who are sick is the most effective methods of control. To that end, we are asking the students to wash their hands before and after recess and lunch, as well as disinfecting desks, table tops, door knobs, faucet handles, and other commonly touched surfaces daily. You can help us by keeping your children home if they have any respiratory symptoms or a fever.

The CDC is also asking anyone returning from a country with a level 3 infection (currently China, South Korea, Italy, and Iran) to self-quarantine for 14 days. Local agencies are working to identify travelers returning from these countries to make sure they are quarantined. We ask that you please not come to school for at least 14 days if you travel to any of these countries. There are currently no other recommendations from the CDC regarding travel.

Additionally, we are developing plans for remote teaching in the unlikely event we should have to shut down school for a few weeks.

I recognize how stressful this evolving situation has been and want to assure you that we are doing all we can to keep your children safe. We will also continue to update you as we have new information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Fowler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John Fowler  
*Head of School*