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Dear Parents/Carers

Coronavirus update – school closure to most pupils

Following on from my last update, I'm now writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children after this Friday until further notice.**

As advised by the government, we will do all we can to stay open for the children of key workers (e.g. NHS staff, police, supermarket delivery drivers, and children with certain needs).

We are waiting for the government to publish more information on what this means, but it would help us in the meantime if you could let us know if you think your child may fall into one of these categories. Please could you contact the school office, giving your child's name and class. We will be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this applies to.

All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.

We would like to ensure that the children's education is not significantly impacted during this unprecedented situation. Therefore, we would like to signpost you to our school website and Class Dojo, where there will be a range of activities for you to engage with, with your child, should you be in a position to do so. Your child will also be bringing home a learning pack complete with jotters, worksheets, booklets and a pencil.

We completely understand that every family situation will be different. Therefore there is no obligation to complete these activities. Nor will they be able to be marked on returning to school.

There is no replacement for your child receiving quality first teaching from the class teacher but the work provided is an interim solution to ensure that your child has continued access to the curriculum.

We do ask that you, as a minimum, encourage your child to read, practise their spellings and their times tables. You will be able to access Numbots, Time Tables Rock Stars and Oxford Owl.

If you are unable to access the internet, we have provided topic-based projects for you to complete with your child.

With this proactive approach, we hope you feel reassured that provision will continue in a way that is manageable for families.



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We will re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is by email. We will also post a message on Class Dojo and the School Website.

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this, with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

What we will not be able to go ahead with

- Breakfast or after-school clubs
- Easter Bonnet Celebration and Easter Egg Hunt
- Internal exams or tests. The government has stated that there will be no SATs for KS1 or KS2 and they will not publish any league tables.

This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we will continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you would like to get in touch with either myself or your child's class teacher to either discuss any concerns or seek any advice about your child's learning, then please do not hesitate to do so via Class Dojo or by emailing the main office. If you have not already signed up to Class Dojo, then please can we urge you to do so. It is a lovely platform for you and your child to post any learning they have completed or to converse with their teacher. Please believe me when I say that we are going to miss your children very much and we would appreciate knowing how they and you are getting on.

Please remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#). **Do not go to your doctor.**

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can. Please take care and best wishes to you and your families.

Kind Regards



Mrs Jan Fellows
Headteacher

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