

## School Closure Update for Frontline Parents

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that as a frontline working parent, your child has been given a place in school to support families during the school closure. Children will be in their class bubble, taught by a member of their teaching team.

**The day will begin at 8.45am**, infant children will enter through the main grey gate. KS2 children will enter through the main green gate. Families with siblings should drop off with the youngest child. Children will then undertake English and Maths activities in the morning and then they will enjoy physical and creative activities and projects in the afternoons.

Lunch will be provided for infant children and those families who are entitled to Free School Meals. If your child is not in these categories and would like a lunch, then this can be ordered and paid for on ParentPay.

Families with siblings should collect children from the main green gates at 3.15pm. The school day ends for infant children at 3.15pm from the grey gates and 3.30pm for KS2 children from the green gates.

Children must wear school uniform and bring a coat with a hood for outdoor play every day. PE days will be sent out in advance and please note that **all** of children's belongings will need to go home each day so that they can be washed in line with our infection control.

We can only provide for your children whilst staffing permits; please continue to follow the government guidance to ensure staff and your own children do not become unwell:

If one person in any household starts to display the following symptoms, **everyone living there** must stay at home for **10 days**.

- a high temperature – you feel hot to touch on your chest or back or have a temperature of 37.5
- a new, continuous cough – this means you've started coughing repeatedly
- a loss of taste and smell

If you develop symptoms and live with someone who is 70 or over, has a long-term condition, is pregnant or has a weakened immune system, try to find somewhere else for them to stay for 10 days. If you have to stay at home together, try to keep away from each other as much as possible.

**To stop coronavirus (COVID-19) spreading:**

- Try to stay at least 2 metres (3 steps) away from anyone you do not live with or anyone not in your support bubble
- Wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- Use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- Wash your hands as soon as you get home
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- Put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- Wear something that covers your nose and mouth when it's hard to stay away from people, such as in shops or on public transport
- Do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean
- Follow government guidance about national and local restrictions.

The guidance above must be followed and all children attending will need to adhere to these expectations so please talk about this with your child. Please be mindful that if we have a confirmed case within a bubble, the bubble will be closed. We know we are working to keep you in work doing the amazing job you do for our community – help us to stay open.

We look forward to welcoming your child into our key worker provision tomorrow. Thank you for your continued support, I trust that this service is helpful for you and your family and want to thank you for all you are doing for others at this incredibly challenging time.

Kind Regards,

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