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Dear Parents/carers,

Re: Coronavirus update – school closure.

As I'm sure you are all aware **we have now been instructed by the Government 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, others in frontline services) 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 you or your child may fall into one of these categories and that you would need to access this provision to enable you to undertake these essential roles.

Please email the office clearly outlining in detail the criteria that you meet to fall into this group. We'll be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this does apply 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.

As a school we will of course endeavour to ensure that we provide materials that will enable your children's education to continue whilst we go through this uncertain period.

As you all know, teachers have already uploaded materials onto the school's VLE for Years 1 to 6 and materials for Year R were emailed. All Year 1 to 6 pupils should have now received a reminder email outlining their VLE log-ins and passwords. Please email us immediately if you do not have these details.

These materials should keep the children busy up to the Easter Break. After the Easter break, teachers will continue to upload materials weekly (Reception children's work will be emailed) with guidance for parents so that the children can continue with their education. Please do use the website links we have signposted if you need further materials.

These are very uncertain times for all of us and we will try our best to keep you up-to-date as things change and evolve.

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Mrs Elizabeth Hanratty
Head Teacher

