



Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Re: Coronavirus update – school closure to most pupils**

As you are aware, the Government has now issued the statement that schools are to close to all pupils other than those whose parents are key workers or who are classed as having certain needs. We do not, at this point know for how long the schools will continue to be closed but we shall endeavor to keep you informed.

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 by contacting Miss Griffiths on Seesaw by 5pm this evening. This will clearly be different to the 'normal' school day as numbers will be very limited and across age ranges. We will be sorting out a staff team to work with these children.

### **Free School Meals**

If your child is in receipt of a **benefits** free school meal but is **not** expected to be at school (because you don't meet the Key worker or vulnerable pupil category) and you would like the school to provide a packed lunch for your child, please call the school office and we will endeavor to provide one that can be collected from school. Please be aware that there may be limitations whilst we are trying to organise this.

**Even though all staff will be in school (with the exception of those self-isolating or who are ill) all other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.**

Please note that this is a national closure – as you may have heard in the news – so while it is a challenging situation, we are not alone. We'll re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is via Seesaw and via the website.

### **What we'll continue doing while your child is at home**

Your child's learning is of course important to us, so we'll continue to help your child to learn. Miss Griffiths has already sent all of you a number of links from websites with home learning pack as well as passwords to sites that can be used to assist learning at home. Should you need anything further please do not hesitate to contact us via Seesaw.

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'll continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you want to get in touch to share any concerns, please don't hesitate to do so.

And remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#).

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

Mr Kilkenny and Miss Griffiths