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Good afternoon Parents and Carers,

As you know, Boris took us all by surprise last night and announced a **full lockdown with immediate effect**. This is to be in place until at least midnight on Sunday 21st February 2021.

What this means is that you have to **stay at home by law**, unless you are leaving for work, education, essential food shopping, medical reasons, caring responsibilities or fleeing abuse. You must not meet anybody in your home or garden and you may meet one other person outside for exercise.

Norbriggs Primary School will be closed for the vast majority of pupils. This is so that we can implement social distancing that will ensure any staff and pupils can be kept safe.

We can offer a school place to:

- Vulnerable pupils
 - Those with social care involvement.
 - Those with an Education Health care Plan
 - Any other children who school or outside agencies feel would be better suited at school
- Children whose parents are critical workers
 - Health workers at any point of the health system
 - Education workers at any point of the system
 - Public service workers
 - Local and national government workers
 - Manufacture, sale and distribution of food and other necessary goods
 - Safety and security services
 - Financial and utility workers

To keep numbers as low as possible we are asking that you only send your child to school when you have to go to work. If you are able to look after your child at home you should do.

Breakfast Club will continue for children whose parents need to go to work.

Class Organisation

The school day will run from:

- 9am – 12pm for Nursery
- 9am – 3pm for Reception to Year 6

We have estimated that we will have between 15 and 40 children attending school, depending on people's work patterns.

We will split the children into three classes:

- Nursery and Reception in the Nursery classroom
- Year 1, 2 and Dahl Year 3s in Dahl classroom
- Dickens Year 3s and Year 4, 5, 6 In Dickens classroom





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This means that children will be with their friends, they will be taught by their own teacher or the teacher they had the previous year, and they will be of similar abilities.

Remote Learning

The Government has stated that as a minimum school should be providing:

- 3 hours per day of meaningful and ambitious work across a number of subjects
- Should have clear and frequent explanation of tasks
- Teachers should check, at least once per week, that children are engaging in work and contact families that aren't to offer support

Our aim is to provide work that can be accessed remotely with as little reliance on workpacks as possible. This is to reduce the amount of journey's that you need to make to school.

The children should be able to view the work on a phone, tablet or laptop and record their work in a notebook or on paper.

We have put together packs of paper with a pencil, rubber and pencil sharpener for you to collect if you do not have these at home.

The online tasks will include links to websites, links to video tuition, access to educational games and films. You may need passwords but these will be provided by your child's class teacher.

- Nursery and Reception will use Text Messaging and RemindApp to set daily tasks. The work will be mostly practical, designed to develop the vocabulary and language of children through first hand experience.
- Dahl will also use RemindApp to set daily tasks as this has been working successfully.
- All other classes will upload their work onto the relevant class page on the [school website](#) daily and then send a text at 10am to let you know it has been uploaded. Please download the RemindApp for your class and use this to ask questions and seek support if you need to. If it is after 6pm you may not get a response until the next day.

We aim to have this in place from Monday 11th January 2021.

Free School Meals

The Government are not providing vouchers for children eligible for free school meals.

There are a number of things we will put in place to support you.

- Children who attend school will receive lunch as usual
- From Monday, the company that provide us with Bagels for breakfast will be delivering take home packs. Initially these will be bagels only but from the 18th January they will also be delivering cereals. When they arrive we will figure out how to distribute these to you.
- We will still receive FareShare deliveries each week. Again, when this arrives we will figure out the best way of ensuring this reaches the people who need it.
- We will ask families who are eligible for free school meals if you would like a food hamper provided by the school kitchen. This hamper will provide a range of food that can you can use to make lunch for each of your children for a 10 day period. Typically they will contain a loaf of bread, 2 baking potatoes, cucumber and tomato, 5 pieces of fruit, sliced ham and cheese, tin of baked beans, pots of yoghurt and bottles of milk.

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