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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you are all well and able to access the support that you need at the moment. Even the most resilient people will be finding aspects of life a real struggle at the moment and the prospect of at least six more weeks of school closure is the last thing we want. Please remember however that school is still physically open on a daily basis and at the end of the phone/email if you need to get in touch with us.

Home Learning

You will hopefully have noticed by now a significant change in our approach to home/remote learning. Not only are we trying to ensure that the children continue to make progress with their learning and that we meet government guidelines, but also that we are maintaining the very important connection between your children and their teachers. No-one at school underestimates the challenge that home learning can provide for you as parents (a number of our staff are experiencing this alongside you), and we will always do our best to support you where we can. It is really important that it remains manageable for you so if you are struggling with content, time or any other aspect of it please let us know. The feedback and photos of your children's activities that so many of you have already sent in are very much appreciated by all of the staff – keep them coming!

School can only be open for a limited number of vulnerable and key worker children to ensure that it is a safe place for people to learn and work, so remote learning has to be the order of the day for almost all of you. If you have any problem with accessing resources for learning, including physical resources like paper, coloured pencils etc. then please get in touch as it may well be something that is easy for us to get to you. Your teachers are available to contact through Class Dojo (Years 1 and 2) and Tapestry (Nursery and Reception) and via their email addresses.

As well as the individual home learning from the teachers I will continue to share online resources and ideas that are applicable to all children (the first of these being the return of [Joe Wicks at 9.30am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday](#) mornings, and the excellent BBC Bitesize resources), and I will shortly be letting you know about Zoom assemblies that I am planning for each year group and some nature journaling lessons and ideas that I will share on Tapestry and ClassDojo.

Provision for Vulnerable and Key Worker children

Please confirm the days you expect your child to be in school for the following week every Thursday or Friday to ensure that we can plan our staffing. Can you also please to let us know by 5pm at the latest if there is a change to the requirement for your child to be in school the next day, and follow usual procedures if they are poorly or not able to attend for any other reason. This communication needs to be to the admin or head's email or by ringing the office, not by contacting the teachers directly.

Geoff Norman, Headteacher

