



John Ray Infant School

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Dear Parents/Carers

As I am sure you have heard, the Prime Minister announced tonight that schools in England are to shut from Friday March 20th until further notice. This closure applies to all children to assist with the fight against Coronavirus, and in the interest of public health.

Your child will be expected to continue with their learning during this closure period and we will ensure that you receive further age appropriate activities and website links to aid you with this before we close on Friday. Following on from government guidelines, the only children who will be able to attend school sessions, should their parents have difficulty in providing childcare for them, are those children with an EHCP and/or a social worker and the children of key workers. We are still awaiting a full list of who key workers will be but we are anticipating this to be frontline NHS staff, Police, delivery drivers and social care workers.

Once the key worker list is published we ask that you contact the school to let us know if you will be requiring childcare during the closure period. Unfortunately, we have been given strict instructions that we can only provide childcare for the children of parents on the key worker list. If you are a key worker and are able to provide your own childcare during the closure period, your child does not have to attend school- this is purely your choice.

For children entitled to the Pupil Premium Grant, details of a voucher system also mentioned by the Prime Minister this evening will follow in the next few days. As soon as we know anything else, we will contact you directly. In the meantime, I am able to provide Foodbank Vouchers to any family experiencing hardship at this time.

This is an unprecedented time but we will continue to ensure that we do the very best for the children at John Ray Infants. Please keep checking for updates on our website, Facebook page and Parentmail

Kind regards

Headteacher

