

Fleet Primary School

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Coronavirus Update – 19th March School closure - Provision of care for the children of key workers

Dear Parents & Carers,

Following on from my last update, I'm now writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children** <u>after this Friday</u> 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 Education Health Care Plans. We will be open on Monday 23rd March for this group of children.

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.

In order to plan our next steps, we need to identify which of our children would qualify for this provision. This morning we have been calling all our families to seek this information to help us to plan for how many children will be coming in. If we were not able to get hold of you please phone the office as soon as possible. We are also enquiring about access to the internet for those who are going to be at home as this will be the most effective way to get work to the children while they are off and for us to keep them up to date with their learning. 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.

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 by text – please keep up to date during the closure by checking the school website regularly for updates:

http://www.fleet.camden.sch.uk/Corona

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.

There are activities and links to remote learning resources which will be uploaded to the school website at the address above – some are already up there. Please let us know if you DO NOT have access to the internet.

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this, with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

We won't be able to go ahead with any of the planned Easter celebrations but we will let you know about planned events for the summer when we are able to reopen.

Y6 SATS have been cancelled by the government and so children will not be taking part in these assessments.

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This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience with 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.

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.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

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