

Show me the way, Lord teach me your path (Psalms 25:4

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Dear Parent or Carer 19th March, 2020

Re: Coronavirus update - school closure to most pupils

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 after this Friday 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 certain needs: EHCP/ CP and CIN

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.

Please email head@allsaintscofe.leics.sch.uk if you are a key worker and tell us

- a) Whether you want your child to attend school or not,
- b) If yes, this will have to be for normal school hours (8.45am 3.15pm)
- c) We will need your employer's name, address (of your place of work), email address and phone number and some proof that you are a key worker. This may be a copy of a pay slip (with amounts blanked out), an ID lanyard or something else which evidences your role.

If your child has an **EHCP or social care involvement**, someone will call you to see if you wish your child to attend school or you can call the school office or email as above.

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 on our website, Dojo and through Parentpay.

It is essential that parents are registered with parent pay and check our website regularly for updates.

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. In the parent section of the website, you will find a Home Learning booklet which will explain to your child how to organize their learning at home, together with a page for each year group containing specific tasks. This will also be where you will find messages from your child's teacher and updated work over the coming weeks. We will also be sending out paper copies of these home learning packs along with an exercise book, a pencil and a ruler as well as log ins for various educational websites, such as, but not limited to Real PE and Bug Club: (a reading and comprehension resource that can be accessed via your phone, tablet or laptop.) If your child is currently absent from school, we would ask you to come into the school office to collect these in person.

If you need to contact the teacher about the work, please do so through office@allsaintscofe.leics.sch.uk with the teacher's name as the subject and start with your child's name. This will be forwarded to the member of staff within one working day.

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. In the absence of

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these plans we are working with our catering company who will provide packed lunches on a daily basis. Mrs. Frith and Mr. Cutler Thomas will oversee the distribution of these meals and will be messaging you on Dojo to give you a slot for collection. This will be from 11.30 -11.50 for children with surnames A-M and from 11.50 – 12.10 for remaining children. We would ask that you collect the lunches one at a time and stand with a clear distance of 2metres between one another. We will NOT be allowed to let you into the school premises due to the risk of cross contamination.

We won't be able to go ahead with breakfast or after-school clubs. School visits will be cancelled. You will be refunded through Parentpay for any cancellations for these. Similarly, we are looking into the residential trip for year 4 and hopefully will have more information by Monday.

This is as much as we know right now, and we appreciate your continued patience with as we deal with this everchanging 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. So please keep logging into Dojo. Remember though we will not have the capacity to respond to individual queries on Dojo. These messages should be sent by email as directed above to the school office where they will be passed onto your child's teacher.

We know these are challenging times and every family will be facing their own difficulties. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you think we can help or if you need help, but you aren't sure where to get it. We may be able to signpost you to someone who can support you.

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

office@allsaintscofe.leics.sch.uk

Please do not email staff directly but use one of the above addresses and your email will be forwarded. Staff will be continuing to work either in school or at home and will respond as soon as they can.

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information as it becomes available.

We are all praying for a swift end to the current situation and for everyone in the All Saints family to stay safe and well. Remember, the school building may be closed for some of our families, but All Saints is very much open, and we are here to support you and your children in any way we can.

Our best wishes to you and your families

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Wright Head Teacher

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