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19th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to thank you for your support and understanding over the recent weeks as we have responded to the various announcements regarding the coronavirus.

As you will be aware, the government have made the decision to close all schools by the end of the school day on Friday 20th March until further notice. Please be aware that this is a national closure. Schools have been asked to provide childcare for key workers and vulnerable groups if needed (please see additional information below).

Pupils Working from Home

As of Monday 23rd March, all pupils will be working from home. Staff are continually putting plans in place to ensure that pupils can continue with their learning at home. All of the work set will be available through Google Classroom and on the year group sections of the school website. We would encourage pupils to complete work as they would as part of a normal school day. This will help them to keep healthy routines throughout the period of closure. Should there be an extended closure, we will evaluate and update the work available for pupils.

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child, contact the school office in the first instance to speak with a safeguarding lead. If the office is closed, please contact Social Care Direct on the following number 0345 8503503. Alternatively, you can contact the Early Help Hub on 01977 724350.

In addition, there will be information on our app on mental health and emotional wellbeing support that can be accessed.

Children of Key Workers and Key Pupil Groups

The government has asked schools to remain open to provide childcare to children of key workers. At this time, we have not been provided with a list of who is included in the key workers group. Once we receive this information, we will send out a text to parents/carers.

If you are classed as a key worker and unable to make alternative childcare arrangements, please complete the attached form and either ask your child to return it to their class teacher on Friday morning or email the completed form to admin@tleacademy.co.uk. If your child is currently off ill or self-isolating and you know that you will require this provision, please contact reception.

Key pupil groups include those with an EHCP, children in care and children who have an allocated social worker. We will be in contact with parents/carers of these pupils. Please indicate on the attached form if you require childcare for these pupils during the school closure.

For children requiring childcare, the school day will not run as normal. The academy will be providing childcare services to allow key workers to go to work during normal school hours of 8.50am – 3:05pm. Normal lessons will be suspended until the academy re-opens.

Statutory Assessment

We understand that the Prime Minister has announced that there will be no statutory assessments taking place this year. This will include Year 1 Phonics Screening, Year 2 and Year 6 SATS assessments and Year 4 Multiplication check.



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Planning for the future re-opening of Three Lane Ends Primary Academy

Please be reassured that we will maintain contact with you throughout the closure period by our website and the school app. In terms of reopening, it may be the case that we will need to reopen at short notice. We will communicate this to parents/carers by text message.

Free School Meals

The academy has arranged for pupils who receive free school meals to collect a lunch daily from a local provider. More details will be sent directly to those families who are eligible.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for your support and understanding. These are unprecedented times and as ever, we must ensure the safety, welfare and education of our pupils. In addition, it is essential that we support families in the national effort at this difficult time.

As we know more, we will contact parents/carers with regular updates.

We wish you and your family the very best at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

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