



# St Clement & St James CE Primary School

20th March 2020

Dear parents and carers

As today will be our last day of school for most families we'd like to wish you well and remind you to look on the school website for activities and ideas while you remain at home. We advise you to agree a family timetable for the week so you have some structure and come up with a range of activities such as cooking, exercise, junk modelling as well as learning time on electronic devices.

### **The rest of this message is for key workers and parents of vulnerable pupils**

Thank you for letting us know if you would like your child to continue attending school from 23rd March. We will do our best to continue supporting you through this difficult time as long as staffing allows.

Please note the [government](#) has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. It is important to underline that schools remain safe places for children. But the fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.

**From Monday we will limit access to the school building for parents.** The school gate will be closed and children must be dropped and collected at the front of the school where adults will be waiting for them. Parents must not enter the school building. Please contact the school by phone. If you need to collect anything please wait outside the building, either ring us or press the buzzer but do not enter. We will bring things out to you.

### **Our proposed day will be as follows:**

8am-8:50 - Open for children of key workers only

8:50 Open for children of key workers and our more vulnerable children

3:30 children go home

3:30 - 6pm childcare for key workers (we will close at an earlier time if families do not require us)

### **If you are a key worker please let us know if you need either before or after school childcare.**

If our school has to close then we will let you know and at that stage we will support you to find a service that is open. You will also be able to contact your [local authority](#) who will seek to redirect you to a local school in your area that your child can attend.

We are very grateful for the work of our dedicated school staff who are continuing to provide for the children of other critical workers for our country. It is an essential part of our national effort to combat this disease.

Wishing you well

Kind regards

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