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Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly I would like to assure you that we are doing our best as a school to send out information to parents as quickly as possible and as we receive it. I can assure you that the following will be the situation for our staff who are not ill, in self-isolation, live with a key worker or are vulnerable. Staff will be directed to work from home if in self-isolation or if the school is closed. If staff are ill then their workload does not apply.

Class teachers will do the following on a daily basis:

Teaching staff daily tasks- for pupils

- Each day teachers will post a numeracy, literacy and foundation subject task on twitter for your class of pupils. Oak class tasks to be posted on tapestry. **If you are unsure about anything please communicate with your classteacher via Twitter. They will reply when possible.**
- Direct children to read daily from school reading book / free reader and note in their reading record book.
- Direct children to (if possible) play daily number games, turn taking games, board games etc.
- Direct children to the News Information tab on the website where there are a number of excellent websites to support learning.
- Direct children to practise Times Table Rock stars daily.
- Direct all children in Year 2 to 6 to practise instant recall facts
- Also we can recommend if a family is not self isolating daily walks, exercise, wellbeing, mindfulness are excellent things to do with children.

Staff will also be completing further work directed by the leadership team and a reporting system to the leadership team is in place.

As yet, we do not know which or how many staff are going to be required to support local Hubs/centres where some children will be cared for on a daily basis. We do not yet know how this will be communicated/function for people who are key workers or have children in the "vulnerable" category and require childcare. We do not know how the voucher system will work for those who are in receipt of a free school meal. When we know this we will inform you as quickly as possible.

From Friday 20th March our school will be closed to pupils until further notice. But the school will continue to be open on a daily basis for staff(this may be just the caretaker at times, leadership team, some staff) and until further notice, this will be from 8.00 am-12.00. Please contact us if you have any questions or if you need help and support.

Many thanks for your patience and kind regards

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