



# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Re: Government Announcement - School Closures

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware, it has been announced that all schools in the UK are to be closed from this Friday in order to suppress the spread of Coronavirus (Covid-19). This includes our school. We will adhere to this government directive and will sadly be closing our school to most of our children from 3:15pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020. After School Club will run as usual today and tomorrow and will close at the usual time of 6:15pm.

We are working with our Local Authority and the SDBE Multi-Academy Trust, to plan ways in which we can remain open for those children of parents who are 'key workers' and at this point in time we are still awaiting the official guidance on who these key workers are.

Please make sure you check the school website regularly tonight as we will put who the 'key workers' are as soon as we have it. If you then fit in to this category and you are a lone parent who has no other alternative child care and you want your child to attend school as of next week, please come into the school first thing tomorrow morning. We will be asking all parents to provide the school with some evidence of employment in one of the occupations outlined on the school website **as well as completing a slip for your child to attend school next week.**

The school will also be open to support pupils with particular educational needs, in line with government advice. In these cases, the school will contact you (as we will know if your child fits the criteria) this week to establish if you wish for your child to attend school beyond this Friday.

In the meantime, our staff have been preparing a range of learning that your children will be able to complete at home. There will be a separate 'learning letter' with further information.

We appreciate the impact this will have on our families and that you will undoubtedly have many questions so do not hesitate in getting in touch if with us if this is the case. The health and well-being of our families is also very important so do make contact with me if you have any significant concerns about your child being at home.

We thank you for your patience, understanding and support at this difficult time.

Very best wishes

Tracey Crannitch

Acting Headteacher



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1. I \_\_\_\_\_ am a Key Worker and want my  
child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ in Class: \_\_\_\_\_ to attend school week  
commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and during subsequent weeks that the school is closed.

I am employed as a \_\_\_\_\_.

Or

2. I \_\_\_\_\_ am a Key Worker and do not want my  
child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ in Class: \_\_\_\_\_ to attend  
school week commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and during subsequent weeks that the school  
is closed.

Signed:

Date:

Please note that if the school became unable to operate during this period due to Coronavirus, then it would close entirely.



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