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Letter to parents

Dear Parents,

I am writing this letter as all of us continue to come to terms with the public health crisis that is gripping our country. Sadly school is closing today for most of our children and as of yet I have no idea when we will be able to re-open. These are indeed unprecedented times and all of us have to play our part in getting through this crisis. At school, we have tried to manage the situation the best we can by the way we have been talking and dealing with the children. In times of great uncertainty, all of us young and old can become anxious and frightened. School has written to the families of key workers and contacted those eligible for free school meals, we are trying with other local schools to put things in place to help these families. Can I stress however that the government are asking us to emphasise that “*children should only come to school if they cannot be cared for safely at home*”, this will obviously restrict the spread of the virus.

What the future holds none of us know, all the plans we have made for the summer term and end of year celebrations have been put on hold until the situation eases. There will however be a presence in school throughout and help and support is only a phone call away. We have set up a foodbank of sorts in the main entrance so if people are struggling please ring or call into school. Father Simon likewise will be available (373 0069) and he will be able to signpost you to the help and support that is available in the local community.

None of us has faced anything like this before and all of us are trying our best to come to terms with the demands it is placing on us whilst staying fit and healthy. I have no idea when I will write to you again but in the meantime please stay safe, heed the advice and hopefully soon school life can begin again.

I thank you for your support in these most difficult of times.

Take care.

M Aldred. Head teacher.



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