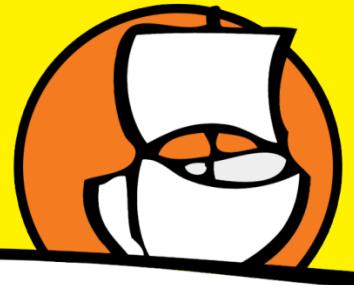


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Monday 4th January, 8:30pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will likely have seen in the news this evening, the prime minister has announced that a national 'lockdown' will commence from this evening and **schools will sadly close to the majority of pupils**. The suggestion at this point is that schools will operate remote learning for the majority of pupils until February half term.

I am deeply saddened by the timing of these decisions and by the huge impact that this will have on yourselves, our team and, most of all, our pupils. Again, I thank you for your incredible patience and understanding.

Given that we had, until now, been preparing for our reopening tomorrow, we are not yet ready to offer our full remote learning support or a comprehensive provision for vulnerable pupils and children of keyworkers. We plan to ready ourselves for this tomorrow, **to begin on Wednesday**.

If your child is vulnerable or you are keyworkers, please **do not bring your child to school tomorrow** if you are able to make alternative arrangements at home. This is to allow us to organise the most appropriate groupings and staffing arrangements to commence from Wednesday, without crossing bubbles and moving groupings unnecessarily. If you have absolutely no other options for childcare tomorrow, please email me this evening with the word **URGENT** in the title, even if you have contacted me already. If your child requires keyworker or vulnerable pupil provision from Wednesday onwards, please email me with the title **PROVISION** in the title. We do ask that you use this provision only where it is needed.

It is more important now than ever to remember what we have achieved so far as a school community and that we will work together towards the safer, calmer and more positive future that is ahead of us.

Very best wishes,

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