



Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

23rd March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Further Information re School Closure 20th March 2020

First of all, I must say a huge thank you to the parents/carers who have responded promptly to our letter re Key Workers. This has been very useful as it has allowed us to plan for today and the days ahead. Please be aware that families meeting the criteria re Key Workers will have received an email to confirm the arrangements whilst vulnerable pupils have all now have been contacted with regards to whether they are eligible to attend school during the closure period.

With regards to Free School Meals pupils we are currently finalising arrangements for support for our FSM pupils. We will be in touch once we have completed this process.

As you would expect pupils are experiencing a range of feelings about the current situation. Some of our pupils are sad whilst others are anxious about the pending school closure and if you ask them how they are doing/feeling you might be surprised about the questions they will ask you. I am sure as parents you already know this. Some might find the prospect of weeks off school exciting. However, I have no doubt that boredom will soon set in as will the isolation from friends. As such routines will also be very important. The BBC report below has some interesting advice for students and parents preparing for the weeks ahead.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-51936286?intlink_from_url=https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education&link_location=live-reporting-story

None of us know how long this will last. I would hope, not least for our Year 6 pupils coming to the end of their primary careers but for all our pupils, that by the May half term we may have a chance of returning. For so many reasons I hope that those in the media who have speculated a September return are wrong and that we have the opportunity to be together again as a school community, celebrating all that has been achieved during this academic year and wishing all our pupils well as they transition to the next stage of their educational journeys.

You have our assurance that for as long as it lasts we will continue to support pupil's learning. Thank you again for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

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