

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Last night the Government recognised the immense pressure schools have been under as illness and self-isolation impacts on staffing levels and pupil attendance. It was announced that schools will be **closed from Monday 23rd March** for everyone except children of key workers and vulnerable children.

The vast majority of pupils will be leaving school at the end of the day tomorrow. School will close at 3pm and there will be no after school clubs apart from SSUK which will run as usual tomorrow. The Government has not announced when schools will reopen.

Home Learning Packs

Teachers have organised home learning packs including a proposed home learning timetable families may find helpful to structure their days. The packs include plenty of reading books, an exercise book, reading journal activities and Maths and English workbooks. These resources have been prepared for every child in the school and will go home with children this evening. If your child is not at school today the packs will be available for collection at 3.15pm tomorrow on tables in each playground. You may come and collect these packs after the rest of the school has been dismissed. Alternatively you may wish to email your child's class teacher and arrange for another member of the class to collect this on your behalf.

Additional work and guidance will be emailed to year groups on Monday each week to support parents with the provision of home learning, this will include appropriate pages to complete in their workbooks, tasks to complete in their exercise books as well as some online learning tasks.

Key pupil groups

We are awaiting an announcement from the Cabinet Office today to provide further clarification around key workers. At the moment we are expecting a small number of pupils to remain at school. These children will fall into the following categories:

- Pupils with an EHCP
- Pupils who have their own social worker as part of a Child Protection or Child in Need Plan
- Pupils where both parents are key workers (doctors, nurses, social workers, police officers, firefighters, teachers and childcare staff) and have no alternative childcare.

If your child is in one of these groups please complete the google document linked below. We are currently drawing up a skeleton staffing plan involving small teams of staff on a rotation to continue to

keep the school open and provide this important service to our community. We require this information by Friday midday at the latest.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/IAVaLaLc6_6sOzkgHkclXvKXzmFvIQXmYUriVekD4E4M/edit

This is a really difficult time for everyone in our community. We are mindful of the challenges the school closure will bring to many families and we will continue to support each other to the best of our ability. It will be important to have as many opportunities as we can to keep in touch and I know class teachers are already thinking of creative ways to keep a sense of community whilst we are a little further apart.

We will face these difficulties together with God's love and we will be strengthened by it.

Thank you for your support.

With best wishes, Mrs Tramoni