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Dear Children,

At this time, I thought it best to write to the most important people at Chapelford Village Primary School - you! Some of you will be able to read this letter all by yourselves and I am hoping that for our younger pupils, an adult will share and talk about the contents of this letter with you.

These are certainly interesting times and I am sure, like all of the adults, you feel confused and, at times, a little overwhelmed. Everybody keeps writing and speaking to the grown-ups but as you are very important members of our school community, I felt that I should write to you directly.

I am sure that you have questions and to support you, we have put lots of resources onto the school website to keep you informed about Coronavirus and to try and answer some of the questions that you will have. Remember to talk to the adults around you if you have any questions which have not been answered or if you are confused about anything.

Today, for many of you, it will be your last day at school for a little while and at this point I cannot tell you when school will reopen. I must wait for this information from Mr Boris Johnson, our Prime Minister and his advisors, who I am sure you have seen on the television. As soon as I get this information, I will be writing to you and your parents to let you know. This closure may seem exciting to some of you and, at first, it may feel like a school holiday. For others, this will feel unusual and perhaps a little worrying. To support you, we have put lots of exciting activities and links onto the school website which your teachers will keep updated whilst school is closed. I am hoping to keep in touch with you all over this period through regular video news. I will share some of the funny adventures of our mischievous puppy, Reggie - so keep looking out for these.

To all the pupils in Year 6, you are probably aware that the SATS that you have been working so hard to prepare for will not be happening this year even if we are back at school when they should have taken place. I just wanted to share with you how incredibly proud I am of all the hard work that you have been putting into your preparation for these assessments and I know that you were on track to be the best Year 6 that we have ever had at Chapelford. - so feel very proud of your efforts and keep yourselves learning over this period as being ready for the next stage in your educational journey is the ultimate goal! Make sure you are learning as Miss Anson and Miss Brownbill will be adding things to your year group page to keep you learning and entertained! Please do not worry about high school. As soon as we have information to share, I promise, as your Headteacher, to communicate this with you and your parents immediately.

While you are off school, you can all help out! Most importantly this is a time for you to support your families and be there for each other. All of our families are different so this will look different in all of our houses! Getting on with your brothers and sisters (older and younger) and keeping your room tidy will be very supportive to all your family



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members. It is also a time where you can do some of the things that you never seem to get time to do - sorting unwanted toys, taking a walk in the park, watching the garden as spring emerges, developing your art and drawing skills, listening to the radio and reading those books that you've always wanted to read but never found the time and of course ... looking after each other. Helping out around the house and managing your behaviour as well as you do in school, will be a big help. We will be posting lots of activities over this period, so keep your eye on the school website. If you do not have internet access, your parents can contact school and we will send some activities over to you.

Some of you, if your parents are key workers for example, will still be attending school for the time being. I have written to your parents and I am sure they are going to talk about this with you over the weekend. On Monday, you will come to school at the normal time and some of you may have been to wrap around care before - just as normal. We still want you to come in your uniform to school on Monday and arrive at your normal classroom door at the start of the school day where a staff member will welcome you. Do not worry if you are the only pupil - we are here to be with you and welcome you into school - it may be much quieter than usual, but you will be very well looked after. We have plans in school to make sure that all the necessary cleaning arrangements are being made to keep you and your teachers as safe as we possibly can. You will finish school at the normal time of 3.15pm and some of you will go home and some of you to your normal wrap around care. We will be working with you each day to make sure we can support you to the very best of our ability.

Remember children that to us teachers you are very important people in our daily lives. We spend lots of our time in your company every day and for us Chapelford is a family and school very often a second home - all of the staff in school are going to miss you - but this time will pass! If you are worried at all you can speak to your families, staff in school and use the school website to support you - no question or feeling is silly - so feel confident to talk and share your feelings. You have undertaken lots of learning already this week in school in relation to the current situation and I know over the coming weeks, you will all grow tall beyond belief, flourish in the face of challenge and do your very best to support your families.

Take care and most of all please ... BE SAFE and GOOD!

All the very best of wishes and I look forward to seeing you all soon,

Mrs Hewson

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