

## The Enquire Learning Trust

19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Re: Coronavirus update – school closure to most pupils

I am writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children after this Friday until further notice.**

As advised by the government, we will do all we can to stay open for the children of key workers (e.g. NHS staff, police, others in frontline services) and children with certain needs.

We are waiting for the government to publish more information on what this means, but it would help us in the meantime if you could let us know if you think your child may fall into one of these categories.

Please can you telephone the School Office (01469 572455) and let us know the following:

#### ***If you are a 'key worker':***

1. Your job role.
2. Your employer.
3. Children name and class.

#### ***Children with certain needs:***

If your child has an EHCP, you are in receipt of free-school meals or have current social care involvement, we are aware of this. If you feel that we need to be aware of anything else, please contact us and let us know.

For the time being, Breakfast and After-school Clubs will be available, but this will be dependent on staff availability and is something we may not be able to provide long term. We will update as necessary.

We'll be in touch again as soon as we are sure who the government guidance applies to.

### **All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.**

Please note that this is a national closure – as you may have heard in the news – so while it is a challenging situation, we are not alone. We'll re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is by Twitter, Facebook, the school website and via text.

#### **What we'll continue doing while your child is at home**

Your child's learning is of course important to us, so we'll continue to help your child to learn. All children have received a work pack and logins for Education City, along with a range of websites that can support children's learning and reading material.

Please ensure that your children complete the work pack and access work set via Education City – staff will monitor and add to this whilst the school is closed.

If you need to contact your child's teacher, please use the 'Contact Us' tab on the website; this will be monitored by staff, and staff will contact you as soon as possible.

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this, with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

This is as much as we know right now, and we appreciate your continued patience with as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we'll continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you want to get in touch to share any concerns, please don't hesitate to do so via the School Office or via 'Contact Us' on our website.

And remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#).

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Darren Holmes'.

Darren Holmes  
Chief Executive Officer of Enquire Learning Trust

Kerry Thompson  
Principal