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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to confirm that, after the most recent government announcement, our school will be closed to the majority of pupils until the February half term. This letter will outline expectations for children during this closure period. Currently, we hope to reopen on Monday 22nd February, but this will be subject to further guidance from the government.

Children learning in school

The school remains open for; the children of critical workers, children who are considered vulnerable (including those where families have social care support) and those that have an Educational Health Care Plan. If you believe that your child falls into one of these categories, but you have not yet been contacted by the school, please get in touch with us as soon as possible by phoning the main office number. Please do not send your child into school until we have confirmed with you that they have been allocated a space.

Online Learning

All children that remain at home will be expected to attend online learning sessions via their year group's Google Classroom. Attendance will be taken daily, if your child does not attend this will be followed up with either the class teacher or the school office. The online learning will involve live lessons which will occupy them from 10am-3pm (with 45 minutes for lunch) so it'll be very different to the first lockdown, where children worked as and when they could. This will be much more like a school day, just on-line.

We've worked out a timetable for each day which looks like this:

Online Daily Timetable	
10.00-10.30 am	Reading Masters/Phonics
10.30-11.15am	English
11.15-11.30am	BREAK
11.30-12.15pm	Maths
12.15-1.00pm	LUNCH
1.15-2.00pm	Topic (in EYFS learning will focus on Understanding the World, Physical Development and Expressive Arts and Design)
2.00-3.00pm	Reviewing learning, marking work handed in and feedback to pupils
3.00-3.30pm	Marking and feedback for individual pupils if needed

Our nursery children will have 2 live sessions a day, one at 10am introducing the day and completing some group learning, the second at 2pm where the children will have story time. Staff will then post 3 short videos per day that parents can watch with their children in their own time (one English focus, one maths focus, and one Understanding the World/ Physical Development/Expressive Arts and Design focus).

At the start of each session teachers will be on Google Meets live for between 10 and 20 minutes (in EYFS it's likely to be nearer 20 minutes). They'll deliver a lesson just as in school, possibly also using Loom and Jam Board and they may also have pre-made slides to talk through with the children. It'll be very much like a lesson in the classroom, just delivered online. Teachers will then remain online so they can deal with questions as they come up, again just as if the lesson was happening in the classroom

We understand that online learning can be stressful, especially for families who are having difficulty accessing devices or having issues with connectivity. If you need any additional support with this, please do contact the school as soon as possible. The children have been using the Google Classroom platform for a number of months now and should be familiar with how it works. As much as possible we would encourage the children to work independently without parental support (especially those in older year groups). If parents have questions for teachers, these can be asked via the Google Classroom.

All information about the school's online learning can be found here, including direct links to each year groups Google Classroom: <https://www.jubilee.lambeth.sch.uk/curriculum/google-classroom>

Wellbeing

We know from the previous lockdown that a period of school closure can be a difficult time for some families. In light of this, teaching staff from each year group will be checking in with all families via phone calls each week. These calls may come from a blocked or unknown number. If staff are unable to get through, they will leave a message and then try again.

Food Provision

If your child is eligible for free school meals, we will continue to support you during the school closure period. The school will be purchasing vouchers which you will receive weekly by post. We are trying to secure vouchers this week but please be aware this may not be possible due to demand caused by the sudden nature of this national lockdown.

Even though the school is closed for the majority of pupils, we are still here and available to support you in any way possible. You may either contact your child's teacher via Google Classroom or call the school office to speak to us directly.

Yours faithfully,

Tom Prestwich