

## Springfield Primary Academy

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Dear Parent

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

Following on from my last update, I'm now writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children from 3.30pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 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 contact the school office as a matter of urgency, if you haven't already done so. We will be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this does apply 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 putting details on our website and sending a text message to all parents.

### **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. Your child should have received a resource pack today of activities to complete whilst they are at home. On our website, on the Home Learning page, there are activities for each year group to complete. These will be regularly added to. Please check your child's year group blog, as challenges and activities may be added there too.

If you need to contact the school for any reason, please complete the contact form on our website. Our admin team will forward this to the relevant person. Our school office will also remain open as much as possible. When it is not staffed, please leave a message on our answer phone and we will get back to 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.

### **What we won't be able to go ahead with:**

- All planned school visits have been cancelled
- The Year 1 phonics screening check, Year 2 statutory assessment tests, Year 4 multiplication check and Year 6 statutory assessment tests have been cancelled for all schools in England

This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience 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.

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

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

A. Willett  
Principal