



Emersons Green Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your messages of support and your patience, we are working hard to plan for this ever evolving situation. Here is the latest update...

As the current situation stands, the school will remain open to all pupils until 3.15pm on Friday 20th March, after that date the school will be closed until further notice. The school will remain open for all children of 'keyworkers', children with EHCPs and those children who are allocated social workers. This is in line with announcements made by the Education Secretary, Gavin Williamson, last night;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/schools-colleges-and-early-years-settings-to-close>

As a school we are working on what the opening for keyworkers/EHCP/vulnerable pupils will look like and we hope to get back to you with the details of this soon. In the meantime can I ask all parents who believe themselves to be 'keyworkers' to contact the school office so we can start to think about the numbers of children we are needing to support.

Parents Evening:

The spring reports that would have been shared at parents evening will be coming home tonight with children who are in school. For those who are absent we will post them home before we close.

Home Learning

Staff have been working extremely hard to produce and collate home-learning materials - both online and paper-based. All pupils who are in school today will receive an exercise book and week one of their learning materials.

If pupils are not in school today due to self-isolation or social-distancing there are two options:

- Collect a pack from the school entrance (*desk set up outside the school entrances - please don't come in the building*) between 10.00am-11.00am tomorrow. Strictly only one pack per pupil will be given.
- Arrange for someone else to collect a pack from the school. They will need to say which child they are collecting a pack for.

Please note that all home learning will be available on our school website and will be emailed out to parents directly. Home learning will be released on a weekly basis

throughout the closure period. There are no deadlines for when work should be completed. Children can work with their parents through the activities at their own pace.

Staying in touch:

When the school closes on Friday (or before if staffing levels reduce), we will continue to respond to emails and where possible will be manning the school office. Should you have any questions, please contact us by email where possible and recognise that we may be working with a limited staff so response time may be slightly longer than you are used to.

Should you have any further questions or queries, we would like to signpost you to the council's website where you can find links to all the latest NHS and government information and guidelines: www.southglos.gov.uk/coronavirus.

Thank you again for your support at this time, we will be in touch soon with the plan moving forward.

Two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature is 'Karl Hemmings' and the second is 'Soraya Young'.

Karl Hemmings & Soraya Young