



Monday 30th March, 2020.

Dear Parents and Carers,

School remains open to support our most vulnerable pupils and also children of key workers undertaking work in our local community. We will also be offering a provision across the Easter holiday period, including Good Friday and Easter Monday and have contacted parents directly to discuss accessing this provision where pupils meet the criteria for these groups.

Of course we continue to offer education provision for all pupils via Microsoft Teams, with staff adding resources on a daily basis. Resources are being added in line with the normal timetable of pupils and where possible staff are making themselves available online during the scheduled lesson time to interact with pupils and address queries about the work provided. Where it is not possible for staff to interact in "real time", they are responding to queries raised by pupils in Teams at a later point.

We'd expect pupils to continue to access their work each day and be completing resources in line with their usual timetable that they would ordinarily follow in school. Obviously some sessions, such as core PE, are more difficult for pupils to undertake but the PE department have created video resources of activities that pupils can undertake at home and shared these via social media. We are in the process of collating practical activity resources produced by staff to be shared through Teams and other media sources so that pupils have access to these in one central place.

We will also be issuing a further round of vouchers for those pupils eligible for free school meals this week. Going forward we are going to email these out to families and parents of eligible children will be contacted by phone this week to verify the email addresses we have are correct.

Can I thank you for your continued to support during these very troubling times and for your support in ensuring that pupils are continuing to access their work during the week. The two weeks of the Easter holidays are approaching and therefore we won't be setting work in the same way during this period; that is to say staff won't be setting lesson resources or following the usual school timetable. What we will be issuing, however, is a series projects that pupils can select to work on over the Easter break whilst being asked to remain at home. We want to issue these to support pupils and families by ensuring that pupils have a range of activities available to engage with over the holiday period; especially as we know that they won't be able to undertake "normal" holiday activities. We will issue more information on how to access these resources later in the week.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Carlin
Principal.



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