

# Ruislip Gardens Primary School



19th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: School closure from the end of the school day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

I am writing following yesterday's government announcement that all UK schools must close due to the spread of Coronavirus. All schools in England will not reopen on Monday morning for the majority of pupils until further notice.

However, school will remain open for children of key workers. Children whose parents are key workers include:

- Medical, nursing and paramedic staff
- Workers in adult social care
- Social workers
- Teachers or anyone who in a school
- Health care assistants and administrators (in GP practices/clinics)
- Childminders
- Nursery staff
- Emergency services staff (police, fire)
- Military families
- Delivery drivers
- Supermarket workers

This is a provisional list and I am awaiting further government guidance on what the key worker list will include.

School will also remain open for vulnerable children. This includes:

- Children with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP)
- Children who are known to a social worker

If you are a key worker or front line service staff member with a child at Ruislip Gardens please share this information with us by completing the google form **by 9am on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**.

This is an extremely difficult situation which impacts us all, but we must follow government guidance to ensure the safety, health and wellbeing of everyone and prevent further spread of the virus.

Please note, the government have advised that children should not be left with older grandparents or older relatives who may be particularly vulnerable to the Coronavirus.

Our staff have been working hard behind the scenes to devise a learning plan to ensure that your child still has the opportunity to continue their studies remotely. Home learning packs



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will be emailed home on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March with lots of ideas to support learning at home. We will be using technology to enable pupils to access their learning at home through a tablet, laptop or desktop. Parents/carers are asked to let us know if you cannot access the internet or do not have a suitable device to work on.

As soon as we have an official date to re-open, I will communicate this with you via email and via the school website.

Until then, I would like to offer my very best wishes and hope that anybody affected by this unprecedented virus makes a speedy recovery.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S O'Neill', written in a cursive style.

Miss S O'Neill  
Deputy Head

