

19th March 2020

Dear All,

Coronavirus Update for Parents/Carers: 19.03.2020

Most of you will now know that yesterday the government ordered schools in the UK to close on Friday afternoon until further notice.

I realise this is distressing news for the entire school community and will leave many anxious, but I want to reassure everyone that we have spent a great deal of time preparing for this announcement. I feel very confident we have everything in place to ensure that we continue to support you and your children in the coming weeks and months.

Over today and tomorrow we will plan for how we can offer a service to look after the children of key workers and other children that the government wants us to keep in school. At this point, we cannot give you any more details, but we will let you know what our plans are as soon as possible. We are waiting for a full list of key worker categories to be published by the Cabinet Office. As requested yesterday please let us know if you think you are in this category so that we can gauge how many children to which this applies.

Staff have worked tirelessly this week to ensure we have 'home learning' arrangements in place. We are sending home packs today and online resources are being collated and organised on the website. There will be a section on the website for Coronavirus updates and remote learning. We will update resources but there are many activities that are ongoing. Any relevant passwords are on stickers on the inside cover of the learning journals in the pack.

Learning packs for children not in school can be collected tomorrow morning. If you are unable to arrange collection please let us know and we will deliver them to you. Alternatively, if another parent can collect it for you, they can ask the class teacher for it today.

We will work hard to make sure this is a seamless transition for the children. We will be talking to the children about what will happen next to help them to make sense of it all, keep them calm and reassure them.

I am sure that you will join me in thanking all our fantastic staff for working so hard at this difficult time. Some cannot be in school at the moment but are working at home.

I want to thank you all for working with us and your continued support for Kilmorie at this time. We will continue to update you by email, text and the website. If you need to contact us, please continue to use info@kilmorie.lewisham.sch.uk.

Yours faithfully



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