



Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will of course be aware of the developing situation around Coronavirus (Covid-19) and the Government's announcement that schools will close to the vast majority of pupils from Monday 23rd March. We are working to formulate a plan for childcare for those eligible key workers and will communicate this as soon as we are able to.

There is a new tab available on our website – 'School Closure' where all updates and information will be posted. Also in this area is guidance and signposting to various websites and activities for home learning which we hope the children will engage with. Our regular home learning activities (reading, spelling, math's fluency/number bonds) should continue. We do not currently know how long the school will be closed for, but we would appreciate it if you could spend time with your children helping them to carry out the activities. This will help your child to keep a level of fluency when things begin to return to normal.

In the unlikely event that we remain closed until the end of the academic year, we will be making sure that our oldest pupils do not miss out upon some of the end of Year 6 celebrations. If this means holding these events in the autumn, then we will happily do this for them.

It is likely that some of the information that I have given you will change as the situation evolves, please bear with us as we try to manage this unprecedented event. We will aim to keep communication going to parents through the school's website. You may also want to follow us on twitter @RidgePrimary. We will also be texting vital information links using our teachers2parents service. I hope to be in a position to give more clarity very soon.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D A Hudson
Headteacher

