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Dear Parents and Carers,

As I am sure you are all aware, schools have been ordered to close to all pupils EXCEPT children of key workers and vulnerable children. This means that tomorrow will be the last day at school for most of our children. At the moment we do not know how long it will be until we re-open fully but we will make sure that we keep communication with you as open as possible.

Key Workers

We have sent a text to all parents to ask you to let us know if you are a key worker AND need us to provide care for your child over the coming weeks - if this applies to you please make sure you have completed the quick online survey by 10am tomorrow morning at the latest. Our current understanding is that children of key workers should be able to access school when both parents are key workers (or the parent in a single parent family) but that if there is a parent at home who can look after the children, they should be kept at home. We are working hard to plan staffing to cover the level of need while also meeting the government requirement for social distancing so the sooner we have the information we need on numbers, the sooner we will be able to finalise our plans.

Learning Resources

The class teachers have all shared a timetable to the class folder on Google Drive. This does not have to be followed to the letter, but we felt it would be a helpful guide to parents and a way of making sure you can provide some sort of structure for your child in these very unusual times. We know most children are much happier with routine and sometimes children respond better to instructions from their teacher than their parents so you may find it a useful tool!

If your child is already off school and you have not yet picked up a resource pack, please come to the office to collect one.

In the first instance we have planned tasks which we hope will engage your child for the next couple of weeks. We will update the Google Drive folders in time for the summer term and we will also try to set up a system for all children to keep borrowing books from school if the closure continues beyond Easter as we suspect it will. As well as the tasks shared in the learning packs, there are some ideas overleaf for other activities you might like to do.

We know this is a very difficult and stressful time. As long as school remains open please do feel free to get in touch with us by phone or email if there is anything we can help with. We will do our best to maintain our community online, using our website, our Twitter page and the TSA Facebook page. Please do make sure you check regularly for updates and please do send photos of work your child has done to the class gmail accounts so they can be shared on the Google Drive for the class too.

We will miss the daily contact with you and your children and hope it will not be too long before we can open our gates again to everyone in our school community. In the meantime, please take care.

Amanda Seager

Activity Ideas:

Cooking and baking

Gardening

Jigsaw puzzles

Sharing books and stories - please read with and to your child as much as possible

Board games

Learn to touch type

Learn to tell the time

Sewing (in my experience, this has usually been a very calming activity in classrooms, especially for boys)

Knitting

Understanding money - different coin values

Learn a foreign language

Learn a song or a musical instrument

Make a sock puppet

Have a teddy bears picnic or a tea party with toys

Make a comic

Write a quiz

Keep a diary