



Wellbeing Award  
for Schools

2019-2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please read the reverse of this letter from Mr Nick Blackburn. In light of the school closures we have set up resources for you to support your children at home.

On the school website, each class will have a page where you can find details of work that children can do while school is closed. The work is designed to consolidate and reinforce learning which has already happened in the classroom. There will be a variety of activities to complete. Class pages will be updated every Monday so please keep checking back. Links will also be put on Marvellous me and the school's Facebook page. Each class will also have an email address which you can send examples of work, the class teachers would be delighted to see some of the work that children have completed. Please keep reading regularly with your child, we cannot stress enough how important this is. If you have any questions or queries then please get in touch via the school email address on each class page. This is the link to the school's website <https://corporationroadschool.co.uk/>

School has been in touch with those families who may need the support of school during this difficult time. We also have a link on our school website where parents can register if they are key workers. The guidance for this can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

As you are also aware, That Bread and Butter Thing will begin bringing food into school as from next week and hopefully this will continue even through the school holidays. To make use of this fantastic resource, all you have to do is text your name and postcode to this phone number. **Send a text to 07537 416 040 to get your first delivery free.**

**For those families who are eligible for free school meals, school will pay for the 3 bags of food given out by That Bread and Butter Thing. You will need to let school know if you wish to take up this offer. The first delivery is on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March and food can be collected from school at 2:45.**

**My staff and I send all our families best wishes at this very difficult time.**

Ann Pringleton (Headteacher)



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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, can I thank you for your patience over the past few days whilst the whole subject of school closure has been discussed by the Government. Closing schools is a very difficult decision and as we know this decision has been taken for very important reasons. No matter what the reasons, the impact of doing this will be felt by you and I want to thank you for your support and understanding. Your schools have provided valuable learning support materials and arrangements for pupils which I hope will make the situation less disruptive. That said, please just take things a step at a time and initially get a structure for your days in place. That is what I will be doing with my children until the Easter Holiday starts.

You will be aware that the government has asked schools to stay open for some pupils, not all. It is our civic duty to provide childcare for front line workers during this crisis and we do that without reservation. I am also pleased that schools can also support our most vulnerable pupils and families by continuing to provide school for children who have an EHCP, providing they are not self-isolating due to Government advice and any children who are allocated a social worker, providing they are not self-isolating due to Government advice. This is in line with the values of our trust and I welcome the position from the government on this.

I urge you where possible to stay in 'the loop' by using school social media channels for updates over the next few weeks. School admin emails will be fully monitored up until April 3<sup>rd</sup> and we have put in place arrangements for the Executive Team of the trust to meet as much as we need to using video conferencing. We will keep informed as a team on any issues you might be facing within any of our school communities.

I am very proud of the way our leadership teams & their staff have handled recent events in school. I know you would want me to thank them on your behalf. I am most proud of our wonderful pupils who show resilience, care & thoughtfulness in difficult times.

Please look after yourselves, keep connecting and remember this will pass.



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