

17th March 2020

Dear Parent and Carers,

Further Updates Concerning Our Arrangements for the Next Few Days/Weeks

This letter is in addition to the letter sent to parents and carers earlier this morning.

Parents were informed this morning that the **Tea Time Club** (that runs until 6.00pm) is open today as normal and now I can confirm that it will remain open in the coming days and weeks as well. **Breakfast Club** continues as normal too. Similarly, general **after school clubs** (most of which end at 4.20pm) are also continuing until the end of next week, in the even of staff shortages and clubs need to be cancelled, a text message will be sent to parents to inform them.

Both types of **Saturday School** (Y6 Achievement School and Saturday Plus) are not happening now for the foreseeable future. The proposed **Easter School** for various yeargroups is also not now going ahead.

We expect to remain open as a school in the next few days and weeks for the children to be able to attend. Today 90% of children, around 239 of them, were with us. The staff are working well to keep the school going as normal, but I would like to let you know there is a chance that if we do not have enough staff in good health we may need to *occasionally* close an individual class for the day, with the other classes remaining open. We may well not have to do this at all, but it is better to let you know in advance of this possibility. Where we have to close a particular class for the day *we will try* to give parents notice the day before so that alternative arrangements can be made by the large number of working parents that we have at the school. **For the avoidance of confusion then, we do not expect to close the whole school in the very near future, but may occasionally close a class depending on any issues with staff illness.**

Lastly, the Trust has been working hard behind the scenes to prepare some activities/plans for parents that they can use with their children at some point in the future should the government tell us to close the school. A trial of an online home learning resource will take place on Thursday and Friday morning but information will be sent closer to the time. **Please be aware the home learning system will be available online.**

Yours faithfully,

Ms Iram Malik



Headteacher