

19 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Whole School Closure

As you will be aware, the Government have announced that as of Monday 23rd March 2020 all schools in England will be closed. This is not unexpected and we would like to assure you that extensive preparations have been made to continue your child/ren's learning.

Details of how to communicate with the school are being sent home with your child's learning pack today. We are making arrangements for delivery of learning packs over the next few days to those currently not in school.

We are sure that everyone will understand that whilst the situation that faces us all is unprecedented, it is really important to maintain learning as best we can for your child/ren. Our staff have been preparing materials and resources to support your child's learning and it is really important that you encourage your child/ren to follow the timetable of learning given to them and to access all of the resources sent out and/or on-line.

We want to assure you that we will continue to work hard throughout the closure period to keep resources coming to you along with regular communications to update you on any changes or developments to how we support all our pupils.

Whilst the school is closed, our duty and responsibility to safeguard our pupils remains. Please do not feel offended if a member of the school staff calls to check in with you, and to speak to your child. If you have any safeguarding concerns whilst the school is closed, please email safeguarding@filtonavenue.com

Following the announcement made yesterday evening by the Government, we are also very conscious that we need to support provision for those parents/carers of vulnerable children and key workers. We will be communicating with you to understand which of you fall into the key worker group, and if you need to access this provision. We will be contacting parents/carers of vulnerable children separately.

We will continue to send you communications in the next couple of days to ensure that you are confident in the expectations we have of our pupils and communication processes.

If you have any concerns about this letter or would like to speak further, please contact the Head of School at each site.

Yours sincerely

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