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Dear Parent/Carer,

Following the government announcement on Wednesday, St George's RC Primary School will be closed after Friday 20th March until further notice, except for children of 'key workers' and vulnerable pupils (those with EHCP's and social workers). We will send a follow-up letter, which provides more detail about this.

Communication

During closure, the school email should be used as the main method of communication (stgeorges.primary@york.gov.uk). You can also ring school on 01904 552440 and leave a message. We will check these regularly but please do not expect an immediate response. Some year groups also have the means to communicate through educational apps and programmes. Please see letters from class teachers for this.

Pupil well-being

As ever, our first priority is the health and well-being of all of our pupils. For this reason, a member of staff will give you a call at some point over the coming weeks to check everything is ok.

Home-Learning and Resources

Class teachers have prepared work packs for each pupil, which can be used in during closure. You will receive more detailed information about the tasks and expectations from your child's class teacher. This will also be put onto our school website for you to refer to. These will be given to children today. For pupils who are currently not in school, due to illness or self-isolation, we would ask that you arrange for your child's learning pack to be collected from the

school office this afternoon. If this is not possible, please contact school and we will try to make arrangements to get them to you.

We are aware that for some families access to IT can be difficult and staff have kept this in mind when preparing tasks. We also realise that school closures will impact on families in different ways and childcare arrangements may not necessarily allow work to be completed in the same approach. We have made sure that work consolidates already taught skills. The activities and tasks focus on practising what they already know. We have provided each child with the equipment they will need to access their learning at home. This includes all log-ins and passwords for our IT systems.

There are lots of ideas on line and lots of companies providing free resources for parents; we will share these on the school website and continue to update anything we feel will be useful for you.

We will continue to inform you of any changes/updates when we learn of them.

Thank you for your support during these uncertain times and should you have any further questions, please contact school in the usual way.

Best Wishes
St George's Staff team