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COVID-19 Update: School Closures

Dear Parents,

Yesterday the government announced the closure of all schools from this Friday afternoon until the foreseeable future. Therefore, Cheselbourne Village School will be closed from 4:15pm tomorrow, Friday 20th March 2020 until further notice. Children will be required to stay at home with parents and follow advice from the government about social distancing.

The government also announced that they were calling upon schools to provide provision for children of key workers to enable this workforce to continue their roles in the direct face of the current crisis. However, they are quite clear about who this group entails as if children are able to be kept at home as part of the measures to avoid social contact, this would be expected. Therefore, if we have any families where **both** parents in the household are deemed to be key workers (we are awaiting a definitive list from the government on who they are classifying as key workers in this instance) and your child would need to attend a setting following the main school closures on Monday, so that you are able to carry out your key worker role, please could you let Mrs See know by tomorrow lunchtime. (It is assumed that if one parent is a key worker, the other parent will be expected to look after any children at home.)

For the rest of our children, as we do not know how long a school closure will be, we have been working in school to prepare some resources for continuation of learning at home. As well as this letter, we are also sending home, the document, 'CVS School at Home suggested Learning Programme', which gives information and details for how we initially plan to support ongoing learning opportunities through these challenging times. There are also a number of other attachments with details to support you also. Teachers will have your emails addresses shared with them so will use this as their main form of communication with you during the closure. This plan will initially take us up to the Easter Holiday, at which point we will then review this when we will hopefully have some more guidance about the longevity of any closure.

Many thanks again for everyone's ongoing support at this time. Take care,

Mary See

Mary See,
Headteacher

