



# Brentnall Community Primary School

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## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update - 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following on from the Secretary of State of Education's announcement last night, I'm now writing to inform you that **we have been instructed to close the school for the majority of children after Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March until further notice.**

As explained in my letter on 17<sup>th</sup> March, to allow teachers to take their planning and preparation time to set work for children from this date, we are inviting parents to collect children from 1:15pm this Friday, should this not be possible children will stay in school until 3:00pm.

As advised by the government, we will do all we can to stay open for the children of key workers (e.g. NHS staff, police, others in the frontline services) and children with certain needs. We anticipate that this will include the Easter holidays but this **has yet to be confirmed.**

We are waiting for the government to publish more information on what this means, but it would help us in the meantime if you could let school know (if you haven't already done so) **if you believe to be a key worker.**

### What school will do whilst your child is at home:

- Children who are already at home self-isolating have been contacted via email
- Homework packs were sent home with the children yesterday
- For those who have given us an email address, class teachers will be in contact via a class email address and will provide work accordingly
- A list of useful websites and apps are available under the information tab of the school website
- If your child usually receives free school meals we will be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

**If you haven't already done so, please ensure that the School Office has your most up to date contact details**

The most important continued advice that individuals can do to protect themselves remains washing their hands more often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and water. Making sure you cough or sneeze into a tissue, putting it in a bin and washing your hands.

I want to thank you for your support in this challenging and unprecedented situation.

Kind regards

Mr. M Thompson  
Headteacher