



# Ryders Green Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are very aware of the impact the Coronavirus/COVID-19 is having in the UK and around the world. It is a worrying and uncertain time. We are actively encouraging children to adopt the preventative measures to reduce the risk of passing on infection by Public Health England.

We have agreed a plan, should the Government make the decision to close all schools in the UK.

### **Who would take the decision to close the school?**

We would only close the whole school if directed by Public Health England or the Government.

### **How long will the school be closed for?**

This is a dynamic and ever-changing situation and as such it is impossible to commit to a timeframe at this stage. We will follow any instructions issued by the Public Health England and the Government regarding the duration of closure and reopening of schools.

### **If the school does close, how will parents be notified of the closure?**

Text messages will be sent out asking you to collect your children from school.

### **What if children cannot be collected immediately?**

We appreciate that some parents will be in a position to come quickly and others would have time constraints due to work commitments. Any child who has not been collected within an hour will be looked after by teachers, until such time you could organise to collect them. In the event we need to ring you should you have missed any communication shared via twitter or our website, please ensure the school office has your most up to date details.

### **How will children continue learning whilst the school is closed?**

Upon closing the school, the children would receive a small pack of work to bring home with them, which will support their learning in the initial phase of closure. We would then put in to action a more long-term plan of supporting learning which would be accessible through our website and our personalised learning software Century Tech. The link will be communicated in the event of a closure through text, Twitter and our website. Each child at the school will have an email address. This is very important because this will be the only way that teachers keep in touch with their class.

There will be a suggested timetable to follow to help you structure the learning. Links, Bug Club and Times Table Rockstars coverage will be updated weekly to ensure that staff are able to cover the curriculum as efficiently as possible under such difficult circumstances. Children can save certain work tasks and email teachers directly with any questions.

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