Monday 4th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

At 8pm this evening, Boris Johnson has made the announcement that schools will be closed from tomorrow. As you can imagine this is very short notice for schools to turn our whole online learning and keyworker provision around but we are already working tirelessly to do this as quickly as possible. Teachers were in school today as we had PATHs training but we did get a chance to meet for a short time to begin some preparations in the eventuality that this would happen. Schools have been given no guidance on what this will or will not provide and the restrictions involved at this early time so we await further instructions. As we all know, education is a very fast moving feast!

I would beg that you please be patient with us tomorrow while we get all of this organised. The plan for tomorrow is that teachers and support staff will be making contact with all children through Google classrooms and calling to help with this if needed. We have new staff who have joined our team who also need to get set up too.

There will be no keyworker children in tomorrow as we still do not know the numbers of children that will be coming in and rotas and timetables, along with the provision for this need to be organised. Again, we are working extremely hard to get this sorted as soon as is physically possible. I will send out more information tomorrow.

My aim, as long as we can get all of this organised by this time, is to invite all parents to a zoom meeting at 5pm, where I will hopefully be able to share it with you and give you a chance to ask any questions. I will endeavour to get as much information out to you before this so that you are prepared.

Schools have been given very little notice by the government to get this sorted out but as always, our aim is to stay positive and do everything we possibly can for the children in our school. The support from all parents and our community is invaluable at this very difficult time and we appreciate it greatly.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions further to this letter.

Kind Regards

Mrs Clayton

Headteacher