



Wensum Junior School - An Evolution Academy Trust School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are trying to work through these unpredictable times. The most important thing for us is that all our families remain HAPPY, HEALTHY and SAFE.

School will be closed from today, Friday 20th March, until further notice. The LA are very clear that the message to all parents and carers, in line with the guidance from central government, is that in-school provision is only for those families who really cannot keep their children at home.

They will be making it clear that schools are facing significant staff shortages and they may well need to prioritise the places available to children. The list below is a DRAFT priority list at the moment:

- Vulnerable children, as defined by the government (links below).
- Children who have both parents (or sole parent) who work/s in health and social care, public safety and national security and education and childcare.
- Children who have both parents (or sole parent) who work/s in other areas deemed 'critical' (link below).
- Children who have one parent who works in health and social care, public safety and national security and education and childcare.
- Children who have one parent who works in other areas deemed 'critical'.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision>
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

All children who qualify for free school meals (not the Universal Infant Provision) will continue to have access to a daily meal, details of this will follow.

Children now have their learning journal with all their logins and contact details. Year group teams will update your child's work regularly on SeeSaw and we are hoping to be able to stream live lessons and stories with staff.

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For families with English as an Additional Language (EAL)

The EAL Nexus site has a multitude of free resources to specifically support children and families with English as an additional language: <http://bit.ly/EALnexus>

Please contact Anna Catlin at acatlin@nelson.norfolk.sch.uk if you have any urgent EAL questions - write NEED SUPPORT in the subject line and we can organize telephone translation if needed.

Your sincerely,



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