

# **HOLY TRINITY**

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Dear parents and carers

#### **Coronavirus: School Closure**

As you will know, the government has now announced that schools will be closed to all pupils except those with an Education, Health and Care Plan, vulnerable children and the children of parents who are Key Workers and who are unable to make other arrangements.

**The purpose of school closure** is to slow the spread of the Coronavirus. It is therefore essential that, whilst at home, government guidance is followed

- Pupils and families should maintain social distancing, which means avoiding large gatherings like sporting events and concerts.
- Follow guidance on handwashing
- Self-isolate if symptoms of a new continuous cough or temperature of 37.8 degrees and above

## Working from home.

During the closure period, pupils must continue to complete work which will be set by teachers.

Teachers have prepared packs of work which you will be able to access by clicking on the Home Study button on the homepage of the school website.

Teachers will initially provide a 2 week pack of work. This will then be updated regularly.

#### **Printed Packs**

If you do not have access to the internet, you will be able to request printed packs of work through Schoolcomms (the school texting system). Requests for the week must be made by 3.00pm on Wednesday of the previous week. Work can be collected on Friday of that week between 2.00 and 3.00pm.

If your child needs to collect a blank exercise book, in which to complete work, this should also be collected on Friday between 2.00 and 3.00pm. We will be unable to provide the individual subject exercise books.

#### **Getting in touch with school**

If pupils have questions of clarifications or require additional information about the work set, pupils may contact teachers as follows:

- Pupils can contact teachers in the secondary phase via email addresses which are within the subject folders in the "Home Study" area.
- Pupils / parents can contact teachers in the primary phase via class dojo.

Please note that contact should be made during normal school hours. Teachers will respond during normal school hours. Please be patient. Staff may have many messages to respond to, but will reply as soon as they can.

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If you need to contact school for any other reason, please do so through Schoolcomms (school text), <u>info@holytrinitybarnsley.org</u> or by phoning 01226 704550.

### **Educational Visits**

If you have paid for your child to take part in a school visit, we will routinely refund monies when we receive confirmation that the visit is cancelled. There is no need to contact school about this.

# Pupils who fall into the category of pupils who can continue to attend school

Pupils should:

- Arrive at normal school start times
- Wear full school uniform
- Continue to follow school rules

Please note that the timetable may differ from the usual timetable, but for much of the time pupils are in school they will be guided to work through the packs that have been provided for all pupils on our website.

I know that these are worrying times and I will do my utmost to keep you up to date via text and our website. Please do not telephone the school at this very busy time unless it is essential.

Thank you again for your support and cooperation

Yours faithfully

A Dickson Headteacher