

Church Hill Infant School

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Re: School Closure

Dear Parents and Carers

The situation has changed a great deal since my last correspondence with you. You will no doubt be aware of the national debate that is currently taking place about whether or not schools should reopen this week for the new term. This morning we have been liaising with the Local Authority, the Trust and keeping a close eye on the developing situation at both national and local levels to help us make an informed decision.

I regret to inform you that we are unable to open school tomorrow as originally planned. This is due to extreme staffing shortages due to illness, staff isolating and absence due to union advise. We understand that this news is very short notice for parents who have to arrange care and can only apologise for this. As a school we try our best to inform parents as soon as we can and are constantly responding to external developments that are occurring despite the very fast- moving situation.

Despite this disruption, learning continues to be an absolute priority for our children and therefore we will now move to our remote learning offer for all children from Tuesday 5th January until further notice. Work for your child will be accessible on Seesaw and virtual registers will begin from Wednesday 6th January.

We will also be resuming our Key Worker Provision from tomorrow and will be asking parents to complete an MS form to secure a place. (This will be sent shortly via studybugs). Key Worker children should arrive and be collected at their normal allocated staggered time as stated below.

Year 2 - 8.30 / 2.40

Year 1 - 8.40/2.50

EYFS - 8.50/3.00

Church Hill Infants School remains committed to following official guidance and relevant laws in order to keep our staff, children and their families as safe as we can during this difficult time. More than anything, we want our families to be safe and healthy and look forward to a time where things can be normal for us all.

Thank you for your unwavering support and patience as we navigate through this period of uncertainty.

We will be in touch again shortly.

Stay safe.

Mrs Bulsara













