



Elmwood Junior School

Head Teacher: Mrs A Read

Dear Parents/Carers,

In line with Government guidelines, the school will close on Friday 20th March 2020.

The Government has now published guidance for schools on maintaining educational provision for the children of parents whose work is critical to the Covid-19 response. If you think this may apply to your personal situation; your work falls into one of the critical sectors and you cannot keep your child safe at home, you must let the school know as soon as possible with your child's name, year group, your job title and employer. This will enable us to plan for the number of children we may have to accommodate. Each parent will be required to present evidence of employment. This can be for example, Work ID Card, letter of employment, current wage slip or another appropriate piece of evidence to demonstrate you are employed in the 'critical workers' list.

Education During School Closure

Your child has been provided with a work pack, for writing, reading comprehension, maths grammar, punctuation and spelling with some basic stationery. The pack also includes their logins for the educational websites to which subscribe which enables them to undertake work on most areas of the curriculum.

The new school website also provides links to a variety of educational activities that they will have access to. We also expect the children to continue to read on a daily basis.

If your child has already been absent from school and not received their work pack, it is available for you to collect from the school reception. When you buzz at the school gate, please give your child's name and class so we have the pack ready for you to collect.

School Communication

We are also providing you with two email addresses so you can contact the school during the closure.

For queries relating to your child's education work:

learningsupport@elmwood-jun.croydon.sch.uk

Teaching staff will be monitoring this email address on a daily basis and will be able to respond to any questions related to the work which has been provided in packs.

For any urgent Safeguarding related queries:

safeguarding@elmwood-jun.croydon.sch.uk

The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) will be available on this email address to support you. Please note that if an emergency situation occurs in which you and/or your child is in immediate danger, you should contact 999 or 101 if it is a less urgent situation.



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The school will update the website with any changes in the situation, please check www.elmwood-jun.croydon.sch.uk . We will confirm the date for the school to re-open both on the website and through our teacher to parent text message service.

Please continue to follow the Government guidance and check the Government's website regularly for updated advice and guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

We hope that the plans we have put in place will support you and your child during this very difficult and challenging time. Please keep yourself and your family safe and we look forward to seeing you back at school again soon.

Yours sincerely

Ann Read

Head Teacher