



The Trent-Rylands Federation

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Dear Parents and Carers

COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS – LEARNING AT HOME

In light of the latest government guidance that was released on Wednesday evening, both schools will be closed from the end of the school day on Friday for the majority of pupils with the exception of those who are classed as vulnerable or whose parents/carers are identified as Key Workers. Parents of these children will have been contacted directly by school and will receive an additional letter. If you feel you are a Key Worker and haven't been contacted by school please email or phone to let us know.

We appreciate this may well be a difficult time for many but as a school we will do the best we can to support you. Plans are in place to give practical support with food to children who are receipt of Free School Meals. A meal will be available for them to collect on Monday and parents of these children will also receive an additional letter.

What the schools are doing to support those children who will be working from home:-

- **Structure is important:** We have included a suggested timetable to enable you set up a routine with your child/ren which is similar to that of a normal school day. Children need to understand that they are now learning at home rather than this being a long holiday. This has been explained to the children.
- **Use the suggested activities/ resources:** School have provided each child with a pack of work to keep them focused on their academic achievement. We expect that this work will last the children for a few weeks so please take your time with each task. As schools will close indefinitely these packs will be updated periodically and school will inform you when this has been done via text.
- **Check the school website:** Suggested websites for the children to access can be found on the website and within the children's work packs. School will continue to update the website with new material and will text you when we have done this.
- **Remember you are expert teachers of life skills:** Take this time to play board games, cook/bake, do the washing, role play with their toys, junk model with your recycling, use construction toys, maintain the garden. Children learn through play and experiences too whatever their age.
- **Physical activity is vital to mental health:** This is an opportunity for the whole family to increase their fitness. Include physical activity in your daily routine – jogging, cycling, scooting, skipping, walking in the beautiful surroundings of Beeston Rylands. This will also help you all cope mentally with what is one of the greatest global challenges of our time.

The school office will check the incoming emails regularly if you need to contact school. If we change the contact details, we will let you know.

Lets continue to look after each other and stay strong as the Rylands community always does.

Yours sincerely

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