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Dear Parents and Carers,

Contingency plans for Home Learning in the event of a school closure

We are today issuing all children, currently still at school, with a Home Learning pack. The packs are to be kept at home and only to be used in the event of school closure, or should your child need to self-isolate.

Although some of our suggested curriculum materials are available for children to use online, we have been very mindful of the need to keep a good balance between using more traditional elements of school work using texts and exercise books, alongside other digital resources for remote learning. We have considered this carefully, given that so many parents or other siblings in a household may also be required to access digital devices for work and study at home. This situation could therefore, potentially cause a further challenge to our pupils and families, if all the learning that we organised were only accessible via a device too. We hope that you can appreciate the considerations that we have made which should enable children to access their learning materials with more ease.

The Home learning packs contain plenty of activities and resources for children to access during a short-term closure, should this happen. However, if an extended period of closure is required, we will endeavour to supplement this further, as needed.

You will find a summary sheet inside the front cover of the pack, which also contains useful email contacts for correspondence with teaching staff, in the event of a school closure.

We would like to emphasise however, that the measures outlined above, are preparatory and in the event that schools are forced to close on Government advice. We intend to continue as far as is practically possible to keep the school open and as long as it is advised as being safe to do so.

We will keep parents fully updated on any changes as they occur. Thank you for your support and co-operation during these challenging and unprecedented circumstances. We hope that everyone continues to stay healthy and well.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Callaway
Headteacher