

Our Ref: LD/DLE/cc/Closure letter

19th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Coronavirus update – school closure**

Following on from my last update, I am now writing to let you know that we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children after this Friday 20th March 2020 until further notice.

As advised by the government, we will do all that we can to stay open for the children of single parent key workers (soon to be defined by the government) or for households where both parents are keyworkers.

Please can you let us know if you believe that your child may fall into one of these categories by sending an email to postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk. Please provide your keyworker role, your child's name, form and whether they require a meal on site as a matter of urgency. We will be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this does apply to.

If you choose to send in your child they will need to arrive at school for the usual time and their day will end at 3pm. They will need to attend in full school uniform and bring all of their equipment, including stationery. They will need to bring their PE kit every day.

All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.

Please note that this is a national closure – as you may have heard in the news – so while it is a challenging situation, we are not alone. We will re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is by text message and our school website www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk

Your child's learning is of course important to us, so we will continue to help your child to learn. Please visit the school website where there is work available for all year groups. This work will continue to be updated for the duration of the closure. Pupils can use the Teams feature (instructions on our Working at Home page) to share their completed work and ask questions related to their work.

If you need to contact the school please do so via postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk and we will reply as soon as possible to you.

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information as soon as we have it.

This is as much as we know at the moment and we appreciate your continued patience with as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We will continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.









If you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use NHS 111 online.

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Yours sincerely

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