



Cossington C.E. Primary School

'Nurturing aspiration as we grow together'

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Dear Parents,

School Closes

You will all be aware that the school will be closed as of 3.15 p.m. tomorrow afternoon for an indefinite period. The government is working on provision for the children of 'key workers, vulnerable children and children with an Education, Health and Care Plan. We are yet to receive information on the full details of children that fit into these groups and have also received no instructions on what form that provision may take. I have met with the school staff and I want to reassure parents that we will easily have staff levels and the capacity to care for the children where and when we are asked to do so. As soon as we have further instructions, I will write to you again to explain the arrangements for next week.

Home Learning

For most children the closure will mean a prolonged period of time away from school. We would like learning to continue at home and have purchased resources to go home tomorrow with your child. Each child in Year 1 to Year 6 will receive: reading books, a reading comprehension book, a grammar and spelling book and a maths book. Each day your child's class teacher will text you the pages you should work through in the books so that they can keep learning through this time. As well as this, you will have access to 'Purple Mash' online learning resources and teachers will set 'to dos' on the system to indicate learning that can be completed. You are, of course, welcome to supplement this learning with other educational activities and can support your child in any other way to help them to continue to progress academically whilst away from school.

Children in Acorns will be set activities through tapestry and Mrs. Jordan intends to record some lessons via the tapestry app for you to watch. Please check this daily to find out what learning she would like Acorns to complete.

Collecting Learning Pack (and distribution to those already self-isolating)

For all children in school tomorrow, these learning packs will be distributed at the end of the school day. If your family are already self-isolating or away from school tomorrow for any reason, then we will get via one of the following methods.

1. Packs for absent children will be available from reception from 1:15 p.m. tomorrow afternoon until the end of the day. If you have someone that could collect the pack at this time and deliver it to you then please ask them to do so.
2. Parents who live near someone self-isolating and are willing to volunteer to post the packs through their door, please collect the packs from reception at 3:15 p.m. and drop them off on your way home.
3. If neither of the two options above are available then some staff volunteers will drop the remaining packs through letterboxes after school tomorrow. Please be patient as we will not be sure of how many deliveries we need to make until the end of the day.

Contacting School

During this period of closure, you may have a need to contact the school. If so, we will be checking the school email regularly so please message us on admin@cossington.leics.sch.uk. You can also post in the school Facebook group or leave a voicemail on the school number. I cannot guarantee these will be checked daily but we will be monitoring them as often as possible.

Finally, I would like to send you all my thanks for the support we have received through this uncertain time. Our school community really is a fantastic one and I would encourage you all to look after each other during this time away from school. Our thoughts are with all of you and your families and we hope to see everyone back safely as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Matt Yandell,