Queen's Inclosure Primary School

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Dear Parent /Carer,

Queen's Inclosure Primary School will be closed to the majority of children from Monday 23rd March 2020 until further notice, following the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday. We realise that this is an extremely difficult situation which impacts us all, but we also recognise that this action is necessary as part of the country's effort to prevent further spread of the Coronavirus.

The Prime Minister has advised that children should not be left with grandparents or older relatives, since they may be particularly vulnerable to the virus.

Schools will continue to provide for the most vulnerable children (those who have a social worker and/or an Educational Health and Care Plan) and children of key workers. We have been advised that the key worker categories will be published by the Government later today and will make this information available on our website as soon as we have received it. If you are a Key Worker in one of the listed categories, please complete and submit the 'Register as a Key Worker' form on our website. This is under construction and will be completed as soon as we have the relevant criteria. We will text parents once it is complete.

From Monday, children will be able to access learning, specific to their year group, on our website; please see the 'Learning from Home' page under our Learning tab. We ask that families do the best they can to support the continuation of their children's education in these challenging circumstances. We have included a template 'suggested daily timetable' for each year group as a guide to help you maintain our school routine, if that is helpful.

We urge you to make use of information available on the NHS and government websites – links are available on the Coronavirus Information page of our school website. In particular, current stay at home guidance from Public Health England now includes the following:

- *If you live alone* and you have symptoms of coronavirus illness (COVID-19), however mild, stay at home for **7 days** from when your symptoms started.
- If you live with others and you are the first in the household to have symptoms of coronavirus, then you must stay at home for 7 days, but all other household members who remain well must stay at home and not leave the house for **14 days**. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill.
- For anyone else in the household who starts displaying symptoms, they need to stay at home for 7 days from when the symptoms appeared, regardless of what day they are on in the original 14 day isolation period.

I am aware that many of you are under extreme pressure, managing the demands of family life with the challenges of employment – please accept my best wishes at this especially difficult time. As soon as we have an official date to reopen, we will communicate with you using our text messaging service and the school website.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs J Allen Headteacher