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Thursday 19th March, 2020

Dear Parents,

Another day...another letter! No doubt you will all be aware of the instruction from government for schools to close down on Friday 20th March for all pupils except those of key workers and those classed as 'vulnerable'. We are currently waiting to confirm details related to this and will be in touch with parents as soon as possible. We want to make this as easy as possible for you as we are aware everyone is trying to manage in such difficult circumstances therefore we endeavor to send out our plans as soon as possible. For today and tomorrow, Breakfast Club and Tea Time club will run as usual therefore school will close at 5p.m. tomorrow.

For the children who will not be returning to school past Friday, a reminder that work has been sent home to cover the period from now until Easter. If the school remains closed after Easter, work will be emailed to you all on a Monday morning (by 9a.m.) which will last the week. Whilst the school is closed to most pupils, you can get in touch with us via our school email address: lanchesterallsaints@durhamlearning.net

Staff will be frequently accessing emails. Our teachers will also be uploading to their class blog (which is on our school website) to keep up morale and communication with children; this will happen every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (not including the two week Easter period): <http://www.lanchester.durham.sch.uk/our-classes/>

Keep an eye out on Twitter too for regular updates:

[@AllSaintsRC](https://twitter.com/AllSaintsRC)

Inevitably, lots of our children are worrying about the current situation. This Coronavirus video series from CBBC Newsround is reassuring and explains what is happening in a child-friendly way:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51698180>

You may also find these top ten tips for 'Talking to Your children About Scary World News' helpful (from the Mental Health Foundation):

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications/talking-to-your-children-scary-world-news>

We keep you all in our prayers. Please know you can contact us if you need us.

Kind regards,

Mrs. F. Stephenson

