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SCHOOL CLOSURE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Due to the recent announcement that all UK schools must close due to the spread of Coronavirus, we are writing to notify you officially of Stradbroke Primary School's closure from Monday 23rd March, until further notice.

As I am sure you can imagine, this is an extremely difficult situation which impacts us all, but we believe that the closure of schools is necessary to ensure the safety, health and wellbeing of everyone and prevent further spread of the virus. The Prime Minister has advised that children should not be left with older grandparents or older relatives who may be particularly vulnerable to the Coronavirus.

Vulnerable children and children of key workers will continue to be able to come into school as normal. Examples of these key workers will be shared with you as soon as the government has explicitly compiled a list of exactly who this includes. At the time of writing, this has still not been shared with anybody. Please be clear, it is not mandatory for the children of key workers to attend school if you have alternative arrangements or somebody else in the household capable of looking after them. School is merely an option for you should you not have an alternative. Vulnerable children include those who have a social worker and those with educational health and care plans. Once again, if you have an EHC plan, it is parental choice, if you choose to send your children to school or would prefer to keep them at home. Due to the range of ages and the reduced staff numbers, please be advised that the provision in school will not be formal lessons as usual, it will be activity and play based dependent upon those who attend.

Our staff have been working hard behind the scenes to devise a learning plan to ensure that your child still has the opportunity to continue learning at home. Please find details of our closure educational resources on our website, www.stradbrokeprimary.uk. Staff will attempt to update this weekly for the foreseeable future.

As soon as we have an official date to re-open, we will communicate this with you via text and the school website.

Until then, we would like to offer our very best wishes and hope that anybody affected by this unprecedented virus makes a speedy recovery.

Best Wishes,

Mr J Sitch
Headteacher

