



Fairisle Infant & Nursery and Junior Schools

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The most recent weeks have been unprecedented and we would like to start by thanking you all for your care and support. Our staff have felt supported and they are truly dedicated to all the children in our care. Due to the recent announcement from the Prime Minister, that all UK schools must close due to the spread of Coronavirus, we are writing to officially notify you of the closure of the Fairisle Schools.

This is an extremely difficult situation which impacts us all, but 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.

We are working on a solution to support the children of key workers and vulnerable children so that they can continue to come to school as normal. Key workers include NHS staff, police and food/pharmaceutical delivery drivers who need to be able to go to work. Vulnerable children include those who have a social worker and those with Educational Health and Care Plans.

To support learning at home, your child will be able to access PurpleMash from your home computers with the special logon which we are providing.

There are also several links to learning websites on the school website on the Children's page as well as the Curriculum Links. Please continue to read with your child.

If you have any emergency questions or safeguarding concerns during the closure, please do not visit the school if possible, but contact the school on 02380 731199.

Currently Twinkl are providing parents with a free one months' access via their website. This site contains a multitude of learning opportunities.

As soon as we have an official date to re-open, we will communicate this with you via the junior school Twitter feed [@FairisleJS](#), the Infant & Nursery School Parent App and the school websites.

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

Yours sincerely


Peter Howard


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