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Dear Families

Re: Coronavirus update – reminder of school closure to most pupils

I'm writing to remind you that school will be closed to almost all children from today, Monday 23rd March until further notice. While we regret that this is the situation, we have to follow the latest government advice.

Therefore, we have asked you to notify us if your child fits the criteria below:

Any parent or carer in your household is a critical worker and you do not have any other means of caring for your children. (See who counts as a critical worker [here](#)). It's up to you to decide as a family whether your child comes into the school for childcare provision in this instance.

We will also support children in school if you need us to and they have been identified by the government as vulnerable:

- They have a child protection plan
- They have an education, health and care plan
- They need other specialist support – in which case the school, your local authority or your social worker will contact you directly

If your child falls into one of the categories above and you haven't already told us, please let us know immediately. If we are not expecting to see your child this week, we will need to send them home.

Pupils who receive free school meals

The Government is currently developing a national approach to providing support through supermarket and shop vouchers. They will provide further details to schools shortly. While we are waiting for this information to be published the school will be providing families whose children are entitled to free school meals with gift cards to be redeemed in ASDA.

Those who are entitled will be shortly receiving an email from the school with a link to your ASDA e-voucher. The school will be providing vouchers for the next two weeks in the interim at a rate of £3.00 per day (so £30.00 in total for the initial two week period). You can then print the code or show your phone in store. Please keep a copy of the message and code as it may be needed after the two week period. Further details will be communicated to families as soon as possible.

Hot Meals

Please also note that there are many places across Brent where you can go for a free hot meal, regardless of circumstances. They are all places where you would be made welcome, without booking and without having to explain yourself. Please see the link below to our school website where you can find a list of these places.



<https://www.preston-manor.com/attachments/download.asp?file=1446&type=pdf>

Please remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next, please use [NHS 111 online](#).

I know this is a difficult time for many of you, and the next few weeks will be an adjustment for all of us. We are doing everything we can to support your children and families at this time and appreciate your patience and support. Please do help us by following the advice set out above.

Yours sincerely

Beth Kobel
Headteacher

