

Dear Winton Families,

You will all have seen and heard the news that all schools in the UK will close from today. This means that Winton Primary School will finish at 3:30pm on Friday 20 March 2020, until further notice.

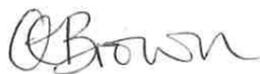
On the website we will be providing online learning for your child. Teaching and senior staff will also be contactable throughout - and will help to guide you through the coming weeks. This new system will take time to get used to. We know that not all of you will be able to access the internet at home and we are currently exploring ways to get around this. Please do not worry in the meantime. The absolute priority at the moment is keeping you, your families and the wider community safe and well.

The government also announced childcare for key/essential workers and food vouchers for some families. We will shortly be sending a second letter with details.

We know that many of you will be anxious about the future. In all honesty, we are too. But each and every one of us is fortunate to belong to such a strong school community. By taking seriously the risks posed by COVID-19, and following instructions from public health officials, I know that we can and will work together to minimise the pain that it causes.

We have really felt the love of our parent community this week. We are enormously thankful to you. The ways in which you have reached out to us and the community have been so valuable.

The staff team (even those who are volunteering or self-isolating at home themselves) have worked tirelessly in circumstances that none of us could have imagined. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to them. We work with an exceptional group of people, whose commitment, spirit and generosity is truly humbling.



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