

Friday 20 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing on behalf of all of our schools and children in the Arbib Education Trust. We are all dealing with a very challenging context and unprecedented times. It is our promise to you that we will do everything in our power to help you and your children through this.

We will keep you regularly informed and provide as meaningful an education for all children as we can. Generally, this will be age dependent and through an on-line experience and/or a home learning package through appropriate paper exercises.

We will also be opening our schools to all those key worker children and children identified as being vulnerable.

The arrangements will be as follows:

1. TLAP building will not be open so that it can be used as a reserve school if for any reason we have to close either of the other two.
2. Children who attend will all receive breakfast and lunch. You can also provide a snack or a packed lunch if your child does not like school dinners. We will try to meet specific allergen/dietary needs but may not be able to do so if there are supply challenges.
3. Parents should not send their children to school if they are not eligible to attend. This is very important as we are all trying to find a balance between stopping the spread of the virus by social distancing and creating capacity for our key workers to help fight the disease. Please support us with this.
4. All children of key workers eligible to attend should do so at 8am and be collected at 4pm. Children attending cannot arrive or be collected at other times in the day.
5. All children in the vulnerable group eligible to attend should arrive at 9am and be collected at 3pm. Children attending cannot arrive or be collected at other times in the day.
6. Entry to school will be through the Main School Office.
7. Collection of pupils will be in different locations:
 - Nursery/Reception – Reception classrooms
 - Year 1 & 2 Main School Office
 - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Key Stage 1 playground
8. TLHP pupils should wear non-uniform but should also have their school or PE jumper with them. They should have sensible footwear. You may wish to send in a spare set of clothes in case children get wet during activities.

9. Arrangements may change daily; your own situation may change daily and government advice may well also change daily so please be patient with us but we are only an email or phone call away if you need any questions answered.
10. This is all dependent on staffing numbers also, as if too many are off we will need to reconsider.

The latest guidance can be found in this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/schools-colleges-and-early-years-settings-to-close>

You will be hearing various messages about what will happen in the Easter Holidays, when we will return to school, what will happen to exams and tests and so on. We do not know the answers to these questions, we are all learning together every day. We need to support each other, be kind and be as calm as possible. I ask that you support us by following all of the guidelines about washing hands, self-isolation and social distancing.

In the mean time I wish you all well, be safe and take care.

Yours Sincerely



Rhodri Bryant
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The Arbib Education Trust