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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Coronavirus update – school closure to most pupils

Following on from my last update, I am writing to let you know that **we have now been instructed to close the school to almost all children after this Friday until further notice.** As advised by the government, we will do all that we can to stay open for the children of key workers (e.g. NHS staff, police, others in frontline services) and children with certain needs.

We are waiting for the government to publish more information on what this means, but it would help us in the meantime if you could let us know if you think your child may fall into one of these categories. *You can let us know by emailing our admin email account at: admin@healthfuturesutc.co.uk or call us on 0121 794 2888.* All calls will be diverted off site from Monday 23rd March, so we will still be able to take all calls. Please remember to include your child's name in your message and give details of which category they fall into. We'll be in touch again as soon as we are sure who this does apply to.

All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.

Please note that this is a national closure, as you may have heard in the news, so while it is a challenging situation, we are not alone. We'll re-open fully as soon as we can and will let you know when this is by messaging you on from our Group Call app and posting a notice on our website.

What we'll continue doing while your child is at home

Your child's learning is of course important to us, so we'll continue to help your child to learn.

For full information on how we will do this, please read the attached '*Health Futures UTC Continuing Education Remotely Plan*'.

If your child usually receives free school meals we will also be in touch with more information about how we will continue to provide this, with support from a scheme that the government has just announced.

What we won't be able to go ahead with

- School trips
- After-school clubs and extension activities



This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we'll continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you want to get in touch to share any concerns, please don't hesitate to do so via telephone or email.

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

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Yours sincerely



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Principal

