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Dear Parents & Carers

School will close from Friday 20th March at 3:30 as per Government advice. At this point, we do not know the end point, so are planning indefinitely and will re-assess the situation as it develops. We will keep in regular contact with you.

The school building will only be opened to children of key workers and identified vulnerable children. Teaching and learning will continue remotely and it is the expectation that parents and carers support us in ensuring children are following the planned activities which will be laid out shortly. We are keen to ensure that our children continue to benefit from quality educational experiences from the comfort of their home, and that this is a positive experience for all.

I will keep you updated with texts and emails throughout the closure. It is vital to keep in touch with you so please make sure your contact details are up to date in the office.

On **Monday 23rd March**, school staff will have a day to plan the learning activities for the children for the next week. This learning will commence on **Tuesday 24th March**.

Class teachers will post learning support on the Evidence Me App. On Evidence Me the team will be posting resources and ideas for you to do with your children at home.

Phonics / reading / writing

- Any sounds that still need to be taught will be posted through an online video on Evidence Me
- Children should be reading daily, this includes you reading to your child and your child reading to you
- Please ensure your child is given an opportunity to write daily. Again, ideas for writing will be posted on Evidence ME

Maths

- Daily opportunities to count, problem solving and play maths games. Again, ideas about Maths learning will be posted daily on Evidence Me

Below is a recommended daily timetable – you can adapt or take breaks where necessary but the expectation is that all children will engage in structured activities for the morning – parents will support this process and encourage the children to be independent, active and engaged.

DAY *I***-** Monday 23rd March: children should be encouraged to set up and create a workstation for you to do your learning.

From Day 2- Tuesday 24th March

9:00am	Post something on Evidence Me from the previous day. For Day 2, it could be a photo of your workstation
9:15am	Phonics – as posted on Evidence Me
10:00am	Free play / physical activities / writing / other suggestions as posted on Evidence Me
11am	Maths activity – as posted on Evidence Me
12noon	Lunch
1-3pm	Topic Based Learning – as posted on Evidence Me
3pm	Wellbeing exercise
1:30-3pm	Project Based Learning Teachers / Nursery Officers phone checking in with children

You can book in a phone consultation with the teacher or member of support staff from 1.30 - 3pm at least once a week, and consultations with Tom and Jordan (Music & PE) can be arranged if necessary.

We will also plan in some activities to promote your child's physical and mental wellbeing, which as always remains our priority. With the help of our wonderful parents and community, we hope this can be turned into a positive experience for all.

Finally, reassure your child that this is a special shared home school experience and that they will keep up with their learning, break for the holidays, then come back. Be honest that we are shutting because we want to make sure we don't get sick. Let your child know what they can expect of their temporary home learning experience.

Make sure you are signed up Evidence Me, any concerns or questions, please contact the school or arrange a phone consultation.

Enjoy your home learning experience and know that we are here to support you remotely!

It is important children continue to learn during this disruption so please engage with this. You can email admin@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk or me at head@primrosehill.camden.sch.uk at any point.

A further letter will follow with more information and plans for children who have key worker parents and carers or are vulnerable.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Robin Warren Head Teacher

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