



# THE APPLETON SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Can I firstly take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding over the unprecedented events regarding changes to the national educational provision announced by the Government on Wednesday. As you are aware the Government is closing all schools as of today for all children, however they remain open for children in the following categories:

- Looked After Children (Children who are currently fostered)
- Children on Educational Health Care Plans
- Children who have attached to them a social worker
- Children of Key Workers (Please click on the following link for your guidance)  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>.
- Children who the school considers may need support (you will have had a phone call if this is the case and if you have declined our offer please ignore this letter).

We have identified from our records that your child should therefore be in school during the period of school closure. As of Monday your child should attend The Appleton School from 8:40am to 2:45pm. The school site will be open from 7:45am. Your child should report to the Main School Hall at the beginning of the school day. The school Canteen will be open at break and lunch time providing our normal menu service. The canteen will not be open for our breakfast service.

There will be no school bus during our period of revised service, however any Pupil Premium student who uses the school bus should use public transport and retain their ticket from their journey into school. When the student produces this, our Finance Department, will then pay them that day the full return ticket price.

Whilst in school students should be initially in school uniform. We do intend for students to take part in outside learning activities as well as written work therefore we would ask that they have in school a pair of trainers which could be available for such activities.

**If your child is absent on any day** please could I ask you to telephone our Attendance Office in the normal way as we still have a duty of care for each child.

I appreciate that we are operating in very uncertain times and in the event of further Government advice to schools, I will inform you of any revised arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Kerridge  
Headteacher

