

19 March 2020

To parents and carers at all Ebor Academy Trust schools

Dear Parent/Carer

Following instruction from the government, schools will close, for most children, at the end of the school day on Friday 20 March until further notice.

Children of key workers and vulnerable children will remain in school and we have made the decision as a trust that all our schools, except three, will remain open and stay open throughout the Easter holidays specifically for these children. The government believes this will be approximately ten per cent of our usual school roll. At the three Ebor schools that will close (Riston, Easington and Camblesforth), pupils will be taken by minibus to nearby Ebor schools each day and I am writing to parents and carers of those children separately.

Our schools will be operating a rota system, so some staff will be in school while others will work from home on remote teaching and planning.

We continue to await details from the government as to the precise definition of 'key workers' and so we will be in touch again with more information.

You will receive separate information directly from your school containing work planning for classes, so that children will be able to continue their education, at least in part, during this emergency period.

Even though we are living through extraordinary times, please be reassured we will continue to do the best we can for all our pupils. As the education secretary said this morning, schools will be safe places, especially for vulnerable children.

Thank you for your support. Please stay well and let us work together positively and compassionately for the benefit of all the children in our care.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Gail Brown

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