



Willaston Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, we sincerely hope that this finds you and your family well and coping with this very worrying time for us all.

We are aware of the concerns that a large number of our families will have been facing, with children from St Ninian's School needing to isolate. I spoke to many of you last week, and was extremely heartened to hear of the huge amount of support that you have received from families and friends. This situation does bring out the best in people and we should cherish that.

I again ask that you reach out if there is anything we can do to support. As you are no doubt aware, all schools are closed, however enquiries@willaston.sch.im is available should you have any concerns.

We are aware that there are some families who have asked for the loan of an iPad from school. Whilst we were able to distribute some prior to schools closing, we are aware of further requests. We hope to be able to access school later in the week and will arrange to make these available to you as soon as we can. If you need to loan an iPad, please contact enquiries@willaston.sch.im as soon as possible.

As before, our online learning is available via teams. Feedback from children and families following the last circuit breaker was very positive, so we are hoping your children will enjoys the tasks, activities and live lessons. Daily video messages from teachers will explain the days tasks, and live lessons give children the chance to see their friends and have much needed interaction. If you have any difficulties accessing the learning, please do not hesitate to contact us via enquiries@willaston.sch.im and we will be in touch to support.

We are aware that the closing of our school for key workers will have brought challenges to some. The Department of Education Sport and Culture are working to ensure, where needed, there is provision for children of critical workers. These are children of critical Hospital staff, Fire, Police and Ambulance. If you fall into this category, please listen to media briefings where the most up to date information will be shared.

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Below you will find a 'Pathways for Families Requiring Support'. (CYP stands for 'Children and Young People').

Whilst schools are closed, we can only ask that you reach out if you need support. Hopefully we will be able to resume telephone contact very soon.

This is a really challenging time for all of us. Know that we are thinking of all our children and their families. Please be kind to each other, uphold our values of Fair, Respect Safe and we will be filling the school with laughter and chatter before too long.

Yours Sincerely

Rose Burton (Headteacher)

Pathway for Families Requiring Support

The following graphic highlighted the graduated response available to schools when students' needs escalate during the Covid-19 pandemic.

