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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Coronavirus Update

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. I am writing to keep you up to date with the latest developments and practices we have put in place to support you and your family. As you know, the situation is extremely serious and schools across the country remain closed. The school is continuing to do everything in its power to support our families during this period, including remaining open for the children of key workers, providing online vouchers for families entitled to free school meals and providing information about learning at home.

Your child **is not** expected to hand in work during this period but we encourage you to reflect on how far you've come in your home learning experience so far. If you would like to send us pictures and/or videos of your children's home learning via email or twitter we would love to see them (but please don't post your child's full name online). We'll continue to provide resources for you to access at home. Please look at the home learning page of the school website <http://www.st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk/page/home-learning/64268> where you will find a fortnightly project page. We have also added links to daily maths lessons (which come with videos, worksheets and answers!) and links to phonics practice and related videos. Additional resources are also regularly put on our school Twitter feed @St_JohnBosco_RC

Please be assured that should you have any questions or concerns you can contact the school via phone or email us at contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk. During this time, a minimal number of staff will be available. We will be continuing to make welfare calls to all families (these may show as private number or number withheld as the calls may be made by staff working from home). We still have a number of home learning packs (with children's logins) belonging to children who weren't in school on the 19/20th March, these families should contact the school office asap as their children need to access the materials we have provided. Anyone who has mislaid their children's login page can get another copy by emailing the school office.

Online Safety - During this time, it is vital that you take the necessary steps to ensure that the child(ren)'s online safety is protected at all times. On the school website there are a number of some recommended resources and platforms you can use to ensure their safety.

Future Updates - We will reopen as soon as the government issues this instruction to us. When this is the case, we will inform parents and carers. We will keep you up to date with any further information that we receive. Thank you for your patience and support at this time. If there is anything further you feel we can do to support you, please do reach out to us.

Many thanks for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Johnson
Headteacher