



Dear Parents/Carer,

Following on from the recommendations from the government, it has been suggested that all schools close from Friday 20th March. Within these guidelines from the government they have requested that schools stay open for pupils who are vulnerable and parents who are classed as key workers. From those recommendations, we will be remaining **Open**. As a school, we do not know how long this recommendation will last, but we will update you as soon as we are given more information.

Furthermore, if your child has an underlying medical condition that could put them at increased risk of serious illness or complications from COVID – 19, please consult up to date government guidance in relation to social distancing.

As parents/carers we would like to know your intention on whether you are going to be sending your child into school, this is so we can make staffing and transport arrangements. Please could you contact school before the end of the day tomorrow (Friday 20th March) with the decision on whether you want your child to attend or not. Please email admin@belmont-school.co.uk or call 01706 221043 (Option 1).

If you do decide to keep your child at home, we will be offering an online virtual schooling package where your child can access home school learning whilst they are at home. Our teachers will be available to teach these lessons online and support your child with any help they need. This is currently being set up, we are looking to get login details for all our pupils as quickly as we can but hopefully this will be done by the middle of next week. We will be in touch when we have all the login details available.

Could I please ask that you inform us of any changes to your emergency contact details so that we can keep you up to date with what is happening within school? You may receive updates through our text messaging service and our website will be regularly updated with any further updates.

We understand that this is a very worrying time for our pupils and families. If you need any further support or advice, please contact the school.

Your Sincerely

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