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Dear Parents and Carers

Update on actions following the Government directive to close schools

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As the situation with COVID-19 continues to change daily, I will be sharing updates with you as they come in.

Please can I make clear to all parents that government guidance states, if you are able to care for your child at home, you should be. A school place is available for children of key workers. There is no requirement for key workers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so. The updated list of key workers who are eligible to bring their children into school is on our website.

We have contacted some parents and carers already and if you believe you are a keyworker and will need a place at school, please email enquiries@mabelprichard.org urgently.

If we have not contacted you and you have not applied for a place in school as you are a key worker, you must not send your child into school.

We have now decided **not to close the secondary site** for now to keep things as normal as possible for as long as possible. It may be our staffing levels hit a point where we can only run one site, in this case, we will have to consider closing a site.

I am sure you understand we have low staffing levels and due the nature of our children, we must have first aiders, designated safeguarding leads, medically trained staff, fire wardens, senior leaders and enough staff to have safe ratios for children. We risk assess this daily and will close if we are unable to provide any of these.

We have set up a blog to support you with learning while you have your child at home <https://mpshomelearning.blogspot.com>. We will be updating it daily and offering daily challenges. Please share achievements with us, so we can all stay in touch and share positives in these challenging times. Can I also reiterate that we welcome any contact from any of you if you fancy a chat, want to ask questions or want to share



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news. These are exceptionally unusual times and we are here to support as much as we can.

Take care all

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lucy Wawrzyniak', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lucy Wawrzyniak
Head Teacher