

The Roche School

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Dear Parents,

You will now be aware that in response to this evening's government directive, the Roche School and Keswick House nursery will close at end of the school day on Friday 20th March until further notice. This being the case, there will be no further trips out of the school building for sport or educational purposes for the remainder of this week. The education of all pupils will continue from home on Monday 23rd March until the end of term.

As outlined by the government, there will be continuing on-site educational provision for the children of the following groups: NHS key workers, delivery drivers, social workers. The government will be clarifying this list of key workers in due course. Any vulnerable children, looked-after children or children with EHCPs are also in this category. I would like to make the point that this action had already been suggested and agreed by the school's proprietors earlier today ahead of the government decision.

I am aware that the current health crisis has been stressful for many of you. I would like to remind you that the school's commitment to Safeguarding & Pastoral Care remains undiminished and if you have concerns about your family circumstances or your child's health or safety you should contact Stephen Womersley, Head of Safeguarding & Pastoral Care at the Roche School (safeguarding@therocheschool.com) or with the school office.

From the beginning of next term, if the school has not been authorised to re-open on April 22nd, teachers will deliver the curriculum via an electronic platform called Zoom. Teachers are training to use this technology at the moment and are planning the delivery of an interesting and varied curriculum. I would like to assure you that we remain absolutely committed to providing a first-class education with all the integrity and attention from the school that you deserve.

All our remote learning procedures and guidelines will be forwarded and explained in due course so please watch out for further updates.

Your class teachers will communicate with you regarding educational plans for the week beginning March 23rd. I very much appreciate your support of the school as well as your patience and grace under fire! I remain available to any parent who wishes to discuss any aspect of this communication.

Kind regards,

Gabriella Emery, Head of Nursery Schools