



Nurturing Children to Succeed and Achieve

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Based on the guidance that we received very late last night, I have been in contact with the parents and carers who are key workers and those children who are vulnerable. If you have not seen this information it is at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

**It is important to understand that where possible pupils should not attend school, as this is the point of school closure and social distancing measures.** This is a really important. We are here to support parents who are critical to the Covid-19 response if their children cannot be safely cared for at home (as shared in the guidance), and therefore it should only be used where strictly necessary.

We have a clear list of children for whom we will be providing care at school next week. If there are any changes to these arrangements, it is important that you let us know as soon as possible for staffing, by e-mailing: admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk or on our usual school number. Children in school will be following the same learning and recommended timetable that we have provided in home learning packs which are on our school website in the 'curriculum' section: <https://www.moorsideschools.org.uk/home-learning-closure/>

If your child IS attending school:

**-You must fill in the key worker registration form on our school website EACH WEEK** so we can make sure we have appropriate staffing in place at all times. Please make sure this is completed by the Thursday **prior** to the following week you require childcare.

-Buddies booking is available before and after school – this will follow the usual booking and payment system - \*ALL OTHER AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ARE CANCELLED APART FROM WILDLIFE WARRIORS (BUT ONLY FOR THOSE CHILDREN STILL IN SCHOOL)\*.

-School is open from 8.50am-3.20pm and your children will be cared for in a safe environment with our highly trained and dedicated staff.

-Children do not need to be in uniform.

-Children need to be dropped off and collected from the main school Reception at the start/end of the day unless they are in Buddies.

-Children can have a school dinner or packed lunch as usual.

-Children will be following the home learning structure that we have put in place.

Tel: 01765 604208

Email: admin@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk



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If your child IS NOT in school at all because of closure, we will be providing further home learning resources through learning packs, which can be collected from school (from the Lead Lane gate) at the following allocated times on Monday 23rd March:

Early Years and Key Stage 1: 1.30-2.15pm

Key Stage 2: 2.15-3.00pm

Learning pack work will be available at all times on the school website and those who cannot collect paper copies from school on Monday will receive them through letter boxes by Wednesday lunchtime.

I know that I am not alone in feeling incredibly sad about our school closure, but it is a necessary measure to limit the spread of the Coronavirus. Our Moorside team and our wider community is very special. Our staff are working incredibly hard to ensure that learning continues, as does contact with our families so that we can offer support at this difficult time. I am eternally grateful to our teachers and support staff who are working in school and at home. We will continue to inform you of further changes in due course but above all, I am really looking forward to having everyone back together again when we are advised to do so.

Take care everyone.

With warmest wishes,

**Mrs Rowett**  
Headteacher