



Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Children,

For most of you, today is your last day at school for a little while and I hope that it won't be too long before we are all back together again. Keeping everyone safe and well is the most important job that everyone has at the moment and all the grown-ups in your families and at school are working really hard to do this.

Some of you will be continuing to come to school over the next few weeks because your mums and dads have jobs which involve helping other people at this time. They may work in hospitals, help people who are elderly, or work in supermarkets helping to ensure that everyone has enough food to eat. For those of you coming into school, it's likely to feel very different from normal but we're going to make sure that you have a good time and feel safe. You'll get to know children from other classes and have different teachers to work with. Lessons will be a bit different too – you may work on projects, complete art activities or play games and of course you'll still have playtimes!

Some of you will be staying at home and that will be a whole new experience for you too. Mums and dads and other people who can look after you safely, will be helping you with your home learning activities – be patient with them as this is a whole new experience for them too! We will be setting lots of activities on the website to keep you busy and for those of you who are practising your times tables – this is an opportunity for you to come back to school having mastered them all!

We will be setting up a way in which you can show us what you have been up to at home and for us to keep in touch with you. We're just sorting out how that will work – but we'll try to do something fun and exciting. I'll look forward to seeing how you all get on.

All of us at school are going to miss having everyone together very much. We have a brilliant Godinton Community and that won't stop just because we're not all together in school. We all look after each other, help each other out and celebrate each other's achievements. We can still do this – we'll just need to think of different ways over the coming weeks.

I can't tell you how long the school is going to be closed for but as soon as we can get up and running again we will. For a little while, this is going to be a very different time for us all, an unexpected adventure and something that you will remember for the whole of your life. Stay safe and look after each other and we'll see you all again as soon as we can.

Sending lots of smiles to you all.

Miss Talbot and all the staff at Godinton