

Newsletter

18th March 2020

School Closure

Following the national announcement this evening all schools will be closing this Friday.

Special provision will be made for children of key workers and vulnerable children. It is unclear at the moment exactly what this provision will be and the government have not yet released the full list of key worker categories. We will keep you updated as soon as we know more.

Diary Dates

March 20th – School closes for the foreseeable future

How we can help

Tomorrow (Thursday) the Armoury Hall Library will be open from 2pm to 6pm. Up to 20 books can be taken out on one library card and books can be returned to the side door of the Armoury Hall or renewed online. There will be no fines imposed whilst the library is closed.

On Friday, staff have offered to keep the school open until 5pm for any parents who are working and having to sort out extra things before the children will be at home on Monday. If you would like to take us up on this offer please email Mrs Nolan: head@newnham-st-peter.gloucs.sch.uk so that we have an idea of numbers.

On Friday we will also be putting information on your children's class pages about work to access at home. (Click on the tag labelled children and select class pages). Today you also received a letter with staff email addresses asking that you contact your child's teacher so that we can establish a line of communication going forwards. Work will be regularly updated.

If you have Wi Fi at home but your child does not have access to a tablet or laptop please let us know ASAP so that we can put something in place for you.

Going forwards, our school meal providers, Cater Cater, are offering to provide meals that can be collected from St Peter's Church every day (Monday – Friday). These meals will be free to children in reception to Year 3 and for any other child in receipt of Free school meals. Anyone else can also purchase a meal. This includes all family members, people in the local community and

older members of the community who are self-isolating. The Church is providing volunteers who can deliver meals. More details of this will follow.

Having children at home for an extended period will be a new challenge. Please see the website for a letter containing a very helpful article that was released today with lots of top tips and guidance

How can your children help?

We will be placing boxes in the Church where your children can leave cards to share with members of the community who are self-isolating. These will be delivered to them alongside other essential items.

Holiday Clubs

Both the Pro Stars Sports Club and the Church Holiday Club have now been cancelled.

PGL

PGL has been postponed until the 15th of June.

This week's value - Hope