

3rd April 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to all the key workers and volunteers who are working hard to selflessly protect us in this time of great difficulty and need. At this time, our thoughts are with those whose lives have been affected by Covid-19. We wish them all our best and a swift recovery.



The Easter break is now upon us, and it will be unlike any other break we have experienced, as we are required to stay indoors as much as possible. To support you through this unsettling time, we will continue to post activities and challenges online. If you would like to access further resources to keep the children busy, please visit the 'Home Link' tab on our website for a variety of activities. <http://christchurchjuniorschool.co.uk/index.php/home-link>

Following Government Guidance

Thank you to all those who are following the Government Guidelines and staying indoors – you are doing your bit to protect the vulnerable and other families out there, which is so important at this time. Please only go outside for food, health reasons or work (if you cannot work from home – stay 2 metres away from other people and wash your hands as soon as you get home).

Please continue to encourage your children to wash their hands regularly with soap for 20 seconds at a time; a double tune of 'Happy Birthday' will do. Rub the front of your hands together, rub between your fingers and thumb, rub the back of each hand with the front of the other, scrub your finger tips on the palm of each hand, rub each thumb with your other hand, rub each wrist with your other hand, wash off all the soap and finally dry your hands thoroughly.

Free School Meals

Following further communication from the DfE, we are now in a position to provide more information regarding this new national scheme for providing vouchers to those children who are eligible for free school meals. Parents of eligible children will be contacted



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separately via email/text with further details. If you have not been contacted by Tuesday 7th April or feel that you now meet the Government's eligibility criteria, please contact the school via email to office@christ-church-ramsgate.kent.sch.uk or its emergency contact number 07368 187534.

Contact

This is a further reminder that the school is operating with a skeleton staff, meaning that the traditional office and **usual school telephone number is not in use**. If you do need to contact the school in an emergency, please use the email address and telephone number in the section above.

Learning at home

Please don't over worry about how much work your children are completing at home, or how much you can or can't access online at this stage. We want families to adjust and become as comfortable as possible with having to be at home, or with the new arrangements for the few in school. We will continue to send out home learning ideas for each year group to keep the children's brains ticking over, and as much other support as possible via the our school website. <http://christchurchjuniorschool.co.uk/index.php/home-link>

Safe Internet Use

Please click on the link for information from our website regarding online safety especially as children are now spending so much time online; <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk>

Support

During this difficult time we all know somebody who is in need of additional help. Attached to the same email as this letter, you will find a list of potentially useful contact numbers for those in need of support.

Kingswood

We are very aware that the deadline for making the next structured payment has come and gone. The school has attempted to make contact with Kingswood regarding the likelihood of the trip taking place in September and how payment should be made in the future, along with what would happen if restrictions were still in place at the time of the trip. To date we have still had no communication from them and can only presume that they are also working with a limited staff.



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We would like to assure parents that any deposits made so far are refundable and that, until we have been reassured that the trip is either going ahead or, in the event of a cancellation due to COVID-19 or similar there will be a full refund, we will not be making additional payments.

I would also like to thank you for your words of support and encouragement for our staff. They have certainly stepped forward in these incredibly challenging times and I know, just as we continue to hold all our pupils and families in our thoughts, you will do likewise for them.

Take care and be safe,

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