

19th March 2020

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Due to the recent announcement from the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson that all UK schools must close due to the spread of Coronavirus, I am writing to officially notify you of our school closure.

This is an extremely difficult situation which impacts us all, but we believe that the closure of schools is necessary to ensure the safety, health and wellbeing of everyone and prevent further spread of the virus.

The Prime Minister has advised that children should not be left with older grandparents or older relatives who may be particularly vulnerable to the Coronavirus.

Vulnerable children and children of key workers will continue to be able to come into school as normal. Examples of these key workers include NHS staff, police and delivery drivers who need to be able to go to work. Vulnerable children include those who have a social worker and those with educational health and care plans.

Our staff have been working hard behind the scenes to devise a learning plan to ensure that your child still has the opportunity to continue their studies remotely. On the reverse of this letter, on our website and via our school app, you will find details of how to access our online learning resources.

If your child is entitled to free school meals on an income related basis, further information on how you can access support during school closure will follow. Again this will be via the school app and our website.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the closure, please do not visit the school but contact us via telephone on 0151 260 8957 or via email to admin@oliprimaryschool.co.uk.

As soon as we have an official date to re-open, we will communicate this with you via our school app and the school website.

Until then, we would like to offer our very best wishes and hope that anybody affected by this unprecedented virus makes a speedy recovery.

Yours sincerely

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The websites below have been purchased by the school.

www.purplemash.com/ourlady-l5 (this is an l5 for Liverpool5 not a 1) the username is your child's first name with a capital letter (if the name is popular try also adding first letter of surname in lower case letter) All passwords are OLI123 e.g. username William or Williamd password OLI123

This website has lots of high quality curriculum ideas, information and games for your child. This is used regularly in school.

www.readingwise.co.uk This website supports your child's reading and phonic skills and is used regularly in school. Children in year 1 and 2 have their own password which we have resent to parents with this letter

www.myrisingstars.co.uk This website is for all children and gives them access to their reading books online. KS1 children who have been given their own username and password recently.

KS2 children can access the website with a Username- child's full name eg John Brown and Password- OLI123. The school centre ID number is: 6008942

www.satscompanion.co.uk This is a new resource for year 6 only. It gives the children online teaching and then SAT questions to prepare them for their Y6 SAT tests in May. To log on the children, use the same password and log in which is OLI both initials 1 eg John Brown would be OLIJB1. The children have been issued with their log ins today. The programme works best using the search engines Google Chrome or Firefox.

Useful websites with open access to all parents

www.timestablesrockstars.co.uk A great website with lots of games and activities to improve your child's knowledge and recall of their times tables. This is used regularly in school.

www.twinkl.co.uk This is a free website available to all parents with a wide range of curriculum resources

www.phonicsplay.co.uk Games and activities to support EYFS and KS1 children in learning their phonics . Parents can sign up for a free trial.

Useful websites with open access to all parents – continued

<https://blockly.games> Learn computer programming skills - fun and free.

<https://scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games/> Creative computer programming

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/> National Geographic Kids-Activities and quizzes for younger kids.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/radio> Cbeebies Radio- Listening activities for the younger ones.

<https://www.redtedart.com> Red Ted Art -Easy arts and crafts for little ones

Advice to parents about talking to your child about the coronavirus

www.childmind.org/article/talking-to-kids-about-the-coronavirus/

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