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Dear parents,

Could I firstly thank you all for your understanding in these very difficult times. I hope that you are all keeping safe. I have been asked to send the following message by the Chief Education Officer for Wrexham.

Could I emphasise that the purpose of closing schools is to restrict and minimise social contact and therefore reduce the risk of being infected by the coronavirus. It is essential you keep your children at home wherever possible in order to limit the chance of a virus spreading. I have heard that some pupils are arranging sleepovers, could I please discourage this in order to help keep everybody safe.

In accordance with the above we have been forced to limit attendance at our schools for parents who are at the forefront of the national effort to fight the coronavirus disease as per the Governments key worker list to those who are employed within;

**Health and social care**  
**Education and childcare**  
**Key public services**  
**Local and national government**  
**Food and other necessary goods**  
**Public safety and national security**  
**Transport**  
**Utilities, communication and financial services**

However, there is a need to be clear that, **we have to prioritise attendance at school to only those who absolutely need to be there and are eligible to be there according to this criteria. Children should be collected as soon as possible, rather than waiting until the end of the normal school day.** Please be considerate and understanding in these very challenging times.



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We are confident that if this advice is followed, we will all make a significant contribution towards protecting our pupils and our staff.

We will review these arrangements very carefully on a daily basis and will keep you apprised of any changes through the usual communication and media channels.

With my very best wishes,

Martin Matthias

