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Educating from home during school closure 24-3-20

Dear parents/carers

I hope you have taken the opportunity to enjoy the sunshine as we all adjust to our new circumstances following the lockdown announcement yesterday. I would like to thank you all for accessing the Google Classrooms with your children. The Wootton Team are really impressed with how your children have continued to have an excellent attitude to their learning even when they are not at school. I do hope the work has helped and will continue to add some structure to the days while school is closed.

The work that is posted by the teachers is there to support you and your families get through this period of uncertainty we are all facing. If you find that home educating causes family arguments or that you are not able to complete all the work that is set, **do not worry**. Just do what you can manage and what works for you as a family.

As you know we are offering emergency childcare only to families who have parents that are critical workers. Thank you for your understanding the importance of keeping your children with you at home, the most recent scientific advice on how to further limit the spread of COVID-19 is clear.

If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading. That is why the government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. In the light of the lockdown measures in force from today, I ask you to only send your children into school IF YOU HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO ALTERNATIVE - a single parent key worker, two key workers or a very specific vulnerability.

We are in a national emergency and I need to protect all staff and our school community. These are unprecedented times and it seems that a very tough approach is the only way.

Should you need to contact the school, the best way is via the office email.

Best wishes,

Charlie Pitt

