

SPRINGVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Emergency Easter Provision

Friday 27th March 2020

Dear families,

Thank you for your incredible support and regular communication throughout these ever-changing and difficult times. Whatever your personal circumstances, we hope that you are safe and healthy. As you will be aware our pupil and staff numbers are being kept to an absolutely minimum to ensure that as many pupils, staff and parents stay at home, protect the NHS and save lives. Thanks to your support and stronger guidance from the Government over the last few days we now have very low numbers. All leaders of our local primary and secondary schools have met today to share our experiences and our numbers. We are all committed to stay open for the rest of this week and next week and we discussed contingency plans to share our provisions if the position of an individual school became untenable or unsafe. Furthermore, we all shared our likely figures for the Easter holidays and felt that keeping 11 different buildings open with 11 different caretakers, admin teams, cleaners, caterers, etc. as well as teachers, leaders and support staff seemed inappropriate for such small need. Some schools have now chosen to group their efforts to provide support over the Easter holidays.

With this in mind we have created a free, emergency Easter provision for key worker pupils (where both parents must absolutely continue to work in the battle against COVID-19) and highly vulnerable pupils. **This provision is a shared local offer. It will be based at Penistone Grammar School (PGS) each day during the scheduled two-week Easter break, including- where absolutely needed- the two Bank Holidays.** Children should arrive at 8.45 and be collected at 3.15pm by a familiar adult each day. Please note that children and staff will be spread across the vast space that PGS offers for social distancing reasons.

Each school will ensure that a member of staff is present at PGS each day, including the two Bank Holidays, so that children have at least one familiar face. For our youngest pupils, schools are now working together to ensure that age appropriate provision is available on site at PGS. Provision will be fun and active and parents will be contacted if there are any settling in issues. Pupils are encouraged to bring their own packed lunch if this possible in a labelled, hygienic container.

We understand that planning for the future is difficult right now but we need to plan ahead to make this work and to ensure that the children that need this support are safe and well cared for. Clearly, the picture is changing daily and more and more people are staying at home on a day-by-day basis. Individual school Headteachers are the best person to contact about any changing need but we need to collate numbers ASAP. Please return the table below via email to your child's individual school. Where schools offer a Nursery provision this is available to those F1 children but only if absolutely necessary. In all other schools this offer is available for full-time pupils only. If you are currently needed for frontline services for the fight against COVID-19 then please complete the details (including the table) in Appendix 1 (attached).

For children coming into school for this EMERGENCY Easter provision, the following measures/ precautions MUST be taken:

- Children will wear their own clothes which should be changed daily – we recommend putting clothes straight in the washing machine once returning home to minimise and control the spread of infection. Children should not wear expensive or complicated clothing.
- Up to date contact details for family members and emergency contact details MUST be available within our school by Friday 3rd April in the event that your child becomes ill.
- Children in all year groups must be brought to school and collected at the end of the day by an adult. No children will be allowed to walk home or leave with unfamiliar adults.
- Children should enter and exit school through the PGS main reception. Please use the drop off area or car park and keep a distance from the school building, and each other, until our doors open.
- If you (or any other member of your household) become unwell with coronavirus symptoms you must immediately contact school and arrange for collection of your child. PGS MUST be informed ASAP if you have been asked to self -isolate.
- Social distancing must be enforced whilst your child is not in school if we are to prevent/minimise the spread of infection.
- Thorough hand washing to take place at home just before leaving and then on arrival at school. This will continue throughout the school day. Personal hand gels are also welcome.
- All children entitled to a free school meal attending school will continue to receive a free school meal. Children not attending who would normally receive a Free School Meal who would benefit from some provisions during the holidays at this difficult time should contact me for further options.
- A cold meal deal (sandwich, baked good, drink) will available at £1.50 per day if required but this must be pre-ordered when you book in and the money brought on the day (correct change please).
- If children would prefer, they may bring an appropriate packed lunch. No nuts please.
- Children must be dropped off promptly at 8.45 a.m. and collected at 3.15 p.m.
- No PE kit, book bags, etc are required. No jewellery or make up please and please keep finger nails short.
- Children can bring a snack but it should be healthy and hygienically stored.
- Water bottles should go home each day, be washed thoroughly, and returned the next day.
- All clothing and items brought in to this provision should be clearly labelled.

Stay safe everyone and thank you, once again, for your outstanding support.

Kind Regards, Mr L McClure, Headteacher

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Child(ren)'s Name(s):		
Date(s) of Birth:	Age(s):	Year Group(s):
Current School:		
<p>Please tick if your child(ren):</p> <p>>Receives a free school meal</p> <p>>Has language/communication issues (please state)</p> <p>>Has a dietary required or a special diet (please state)</p> <p>>Has additional learning needs (please state)</p> <p>>Has a disability (please state)</p>		
Emergency Contact 1:		
Name _____ Relationship to child(ren) _____		
Contact Number(s) _____		
Address _____		
Emergency Contact 2:		
Name _____ Relationship to child(ren) _____		
Contact Number(s) _____		
Address _____		

Days Requested (Please indicate times required or 'full day' and any £1.50 meal deal order- this will be provided for free if your child currently receives a free school meal)				
Monday 6 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Tuesday 7 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Wednesday 8 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Thursday 9 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Friday 10 th April Bank Holiday Times: Meal Deal:
Monday 13 th April Bank Holiday Times: Meal Deal:	Tuesday 14 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Wednesday 15 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Thursday 16 th April Times: Meal Deal:	Friday 17 th April Times: Meal Deal:

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS BY WEDNESDAY 1st APRIL (12NOON)