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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Just an update to let you know where we are. As you know, this afternoon, we are closing the school until further notice except to children who are vulnerable or have a parent or guardian who is on the new list of keyworkers. Miss Plant and I are working through the list today to confirm with you your child's place. I want to reassure you that at this point, we will be able to offer them to all those that genuinely need it. If you don't hear from us today in school time, expect a call tonight or tomorrow as I will be working with the team to get ready for Monday.

For those of you that we won't see over the coming weeks, I cannot thank you enough for your support and understanding. If we were allowed to keep The Mill open for all of our children, we would. The office will be manned with a skeleton staff and the school is contactable as emails will still be read and phone calls will still be made. So please remember that if you're struggling or need a bit of guidance, we will do our best to help, just contact us. You're not alone.

On Monday, your child's teacher (or if you've got more than one, one of their teachers) will be calling you all (even those parents of children in school) to check that you know about our home learning section on the website, the update tab on our website to keep you in the loop and to check you have your children's logins to things like athletics etc. If there are any issues, they will make a list and sort them out for you but please bear with us! We are busy sorting out special emoji passwords so every child can login to just one place to access their learning too so you won't have tons of things to remember. We'll keep you posted about this.

As the days and weeks go by, I will continue to check in with these letters emailed out to you and keep you updated. It's going to be a strange time for us all but it will pass and we'll all be back together again soon.

Yours faithfully,

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