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HOME LEARNING SUPPORT (in the event of a school closure)

Dear Parent / Carer,

As I am sure you are aware from the media, the whole country at present is rising to the challenge of the outbreak of the coronavirus. This is an evolving situation and we are working closely with DDAT, our academy trust, in a proactive way based on the information coming from the government through Public Health England and the Department for Education.

At this current time, our school remains open and our normal attendance procedures are expected, unless the Department for Education and public Health England advise us otherwise.

However, we are aware that the management of this outbreak is a dynamic situation and we have therefore outlined plans as part of our risk assessment procedures in the event of having to close our school. To ensure that your child does not miss out on valuable learning time in the event of a school closure, we have put together a 'home learning' pack.

We wanted to send out these resources in advance so that we can ensure that we have everything in place to support your child's learning, in the event that we have to close our school. Please can I ask you to familiarise yourself with the home learning pack. If you have any questions about the resources, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

We have included a range of resources to support your child's learning across the curriculum using our normal 'home learning' format. We have included some additional resources to support key skills, for example spellings and times tables. Please can I remind you all that we have a wealth of resources available on our website (under our Parent/Carer tab), including links to educational apps and websites: <http://www.stchads.derby.sch.uk/website>

Copies of the home learning packs will also be made available on our school website: http://www.stchads.derby.sch.uk/website/home_learning_/378320 (the folder will be called 'school closure resources').

I have been made aware that the educational website, 'Twinkl' is currently offering free access to its resources with a One Month Ultimate Membership, totally free of charge. Setting this up is really easy to do – go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer and enter the code UKTWINKLHELPS

The Department for Education coronavirus helpline is available to answer questions about the coronavirus relating to education and can be contacted Monday to Friday (8am-6pm), on 0800 046 8687.

We continue to follow the daily guidance updates from the Department for Education and have added a link to the 'news page' on our website.

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It is essential that we have your current and correct emergency contact details on our school system. If you have recently changed your telephone number(s), please ensure that you inform Miss Richardson in our main school office.

Once again, please can I stress that at this current time our school remains open and are normal attendance procedures are expected, unless the Department for Education and Public Health England direct us otherwise.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,

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Ms. K Leach
Headteacher

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