

Friday 20th March, 2020

Academy Closure

Dear parents and carers,

The government has announced plans to close all schools across England, in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) virus. **This means that the academy will be closed from 3pm on Friday 20th March, 2020, until further notice. Please see the information sent home today about emergency child care provision at Don Valley for front line workers.**

Note information on meal provision for children in EYFS and KS1, as well as free school meals pupils will be provided as soon as we are able to confirm arrangements.

Please note that I will be able to access the school email via info@highfieldspa.org.uk during the closure period, to answer school related queries.

Please find a list of other sources of advice during this period:

- Doncaster Child's Safeguarding line – for concerns about a child's welfare - 01302 737 777 / <https://www.doncasterchildrenstrust.co.uk/worried-about-a-child>
- NHS Health advice line 111
- Domestic Violence Hub - 0808 2000 247
- Doncaster Mental Health Crisis team - 01302 566996
- Emergency Services – 999
- Childline – 0800 1111
- St. Leger homeless out of hours - 01302 736000
- Samaritans 116 123
- Police - 999/101 (non-emergency)

Please continue to follow government advice during our closure period. We will see you all ready for a fresh start as soon as we can!

I would like to give a final word about our pupils and staff. This year we have seen the children make fantastic progress in terms of learning and as individuals. In particular, I would like to praise Year 6. They will not get to sit their SATs, but the work they had done was amazing. We are proud beyond words! To our staff – no one can know the dedication that you give on a daily basis to our academy – I am very lucky to have you as a team.

Yours sincerely,
Jo

Mrs Jo Sercombe - Head of Academy