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Update on school closure announcement

Dear parents/carers

Last night, Wednesday 18th March, you would have heard the news that schools are to shut tomorrow, Friday 20th March, because of the coronavirus and there has been no date set to reopen schools.

In this news bulletin, the Prime Minister has asked that schools stay open to support the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils.

The list of key workers as I write are NHS staff, Police Officers, supermarket staff/delivery drivers and Social Care Workers. However, it's obvious that school staff [teachers and support staff] are key to implementing this course of action and should also be catered for.

As a result of this we will, as a first step, seek to gather information from you in order to inform our planning. This is so that we can take appropriate measures and plan ahead as much as possible.

If this is the case, please e-mail keyworker@stdamians.co.uk for further details.

Another letter will follow today as I seek to get clarification on some of the announcements made yesterday. When I get this clarification, I will inform parents.

As a school we have been preparing for this eventuality and have been working very hard to ensure that pupils will be able to access work remotely. I will share these plans with you as soon as possible. Rest assured we are doing everything we can and as quick as we can. I will soon share the schools plans of how pupils can access work at home.

Finally, I want to acknowledge the exceptional work that my staff are doing. Support staff, teachers and leaders are rising to this unprecedented and rapidly changing situation by being highly professional and keeping calm. I ask that you be patient at this time if contacting the school.

God bless you and your families.

Mr Logue



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