



6th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

At the end of this unprecedented spring term I want to thank you for your support during the school closure. I also want to pass on our condolences to those staff and students who have family members who have died from Covid 19. It is essential that we continue not to go out unless absolutely necessary, social distance when we are out and ensure high standards of hygiene at all times. The sooner the virus stops spreading the sooner we will be back at school.

Please continue to follow medical advice as issued by the NHS
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Student work and learning

Our teaches have been working hard to set work via the Learning Gateway and Google classrooms and we can see that lots of our students are working really hard, sticking to their daily timetable and sending work to their teachers for feedback. We are really proud of this positive attitude and independent learning.

However, there are a number of students who have not engaged fully in their learning and over the next few weeks we will be in touch with families about their child's progress and whether or not they are falling behind. We know that working at home is not easy, however it is very important that your child keeps learning whilst at home to make sure that all the hard work they have put in over the last year is not forgotten and that they continue to make progress. The next two weeks are an ideal time for students to catch up on work they have not completed ready for it to be marked from the 20th April.

Students who do not have access to the online learning platforms and have completed their paper-based work can collect the next set of work from 20th April from school reception between 8:30am and 2:30 pm.

If you have any questions about student work during the school closure, please use the contact Email: studentprogress@carltonbolling.co.uk .

Keeping your child safe

If you have any non-emergency concerns regarding your child's wellbeing or safety please contact Mrs Byrne email t.byrne@carltonbolling.co.uk or telephone 01274648629. If you have a concern about another child's welfare or wellbeing, call Children's Social Care initially on 01274 435600 (office hours 8.30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday , 8.30am – 4.30pm on Friday). At all other times call the Social Services Emergency Duty Team on 01274 431010 if you have an emergency or if you have reason to believe that a child is at immediate risk of harm, please contact emergency services on 999.

National Voucher Scheme for Free School Meals (FSM)

The scheme will provide funding for a weekly £15 voucher for each eligible child, which can be redeemed at nominated supermarkets. These vouchers can be issued to parents in two formats: E-Vouchers and E-Gift Card. All families who we think are eligible for free school meals have been informed about how the system works and the information can be found on the link on the website. Since informing families about the scheme the government have agreed to pay for meals through the Easter holiday period and so vouchers will be issued as soon as possible this week.

We are aware that some parents may be eligible for Free School Meals, but are not currently claiming for them. Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Please contact Bradford Council Free School Meals on 01274 432772 if you feel you are eligible for free school meals not school.

Keeping you informed

We aim to keep you as informed as possible during the period of school closure. The main place to check for updates is the school website (<https://carltonbolling.co.uk>). We will also continue to use the school's texting service to keep you informed of any updates.

Thank you for your continued support during this unprecedented time of school disruption. Despite the closure, as a community we can work together to ensure that we minimise the impact to your child's educational journey.

Your sincerely



Mrs Jane Girt

Head of School