

Dear Parents,

I just want to start by saying, 'You have all been amazing during these unusual and unpredictable times. I feel so lucky to serve this school and our community. You have certainly made my job much easier – Thank you.'

As of the end of school tonight, we have yet to receive any updates on the government's plan of action for shutting schools nor any clarification on who is classed as a 'key' worker or any other questions schools need answering. Therefore, I am unable to provide any clarification on the questions which you may have – sorry, I know this does not help you in forming your own plan of action.

The advice from the Government is the same as last night. Continue maintaining good hygiene routines during this enforced shut-down. If your child is in the 'stay at home' category, you are asked please to respect this. Hopefully, we will receive clear guidance tonight regarding this.

I will update when I have news. If you haven't already done so, please like your child's class page and then comment on this afternoon's post. This will enable me to ensure this line of communication is effective. If you are having trouble locating them, type in (for example) [Year 2 - Atherton Sacred Heart Primary School](#).

In the meantime, I have some homework for you all – keep smiling, it will help our children stay as calm and relaxed as they can during this time. While the light might not yet be at the end of the tunnel, it will be there in the future. So in the words of the great Monty Python – Always look on the bright side of life. I think we've earned this right to do this considering the news this week.

Own clothes for the children and staff tomorrow ... Hopefully, this will help lift the mood in what will be a difficult day.

Thank you once again, I'll be in touch.

Kind Regards

Mr M^cDermott

