



# Manor Green Primary Academy

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Dear parents and carers,

This has been a turbulent and worrying week but we have, in true #TeamManorGreen style, risen to the challenge and have pulled together to safeguard our children, families and staff. We are incredibly proud of each and every member of our school family and will continue to support each other as we navigate our way through the coming weeks together.

### Free School Meal Entitlement

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, we will be providing a daily packed lunch. The lunches will be ready for you to collect from the main hall daily from 11:30am or, if you are self-isolating please arrange a representative to do this for you. We are not in a position to be able to offer a delivery service.

Please access the main hall through the main entrance as usual. **Please only contact us if you do not wish to take up this offer.** If there are any changes to this provision or plan, we will, of course, inform you.

### Home Learning

From Tuesday of next week, teachers will be setting daily learning tasks via the Class Dojo app. These tasks will be in addition to the online resources and the home learning packs we have already shared. Since introducing Class Dojo, the vast majority of our parents and carers have registered and we believe this will be an absolutely invaluable way of children and families staying connected with their child's class teacher in the coming weeks. Thanks to the 'class story' function, children will have a way of sharing images of their home learning in a safe and confidential way with classmates and teachers. Teachers will let you know when they are available to chat and answer messages so we ask that you respect the timings that they set with regards to this function. We are looking forward to keeping in touch with you all through the power of Class Dojo.

If you are not yet registered for class dojo, you will receive an invitation to join in the post very soon.

### School Deep Clean

As you know, we had already arranged for school to be deep cleaned over the Easter break. This will still go ahead as planned. In order to ensure the deep clean has a full impact, we are sending home all children's possessions with those who are in school today. If your children are not in school as they are self-isolating, all items will be available to collect from tables (labelled with class names) in the main hall from 11:30am on Monday. If you are self-isolating, please arrange for someone to come to school and collect items for you.

### Key Worker Care Provision

Those entitled to access the key worker care provision are invited to come to school on Monday at 9am to discuss eligibility and register. If you are currently self-isolating and believe you are classed a key worker, you are welcome to come to school and discuss entitlement when you are able to do so.

**'Care, Share, Fair, Dare, Healthy & Happy'**



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As the reason behind the closure of schools is to limit the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, it is important to note this section of the guidance from the DfE: *'Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. **Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.** This is an offer to parents and carers and there is no requirement for parents and carers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so. **For vulnerable children, your child's social worker will work with you to assess the best option for your child.'***

The Government advice contained within their latest update this morning is that parents should keep their children at home, wherever possible and that they've asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend.

Those children who are entitled to access the limited care provision do not have to wear school uniform. If children are accessing the limited provision, and require a school lunch, please pay for this as normal on ParentPay. If your child has packed lunch, or is entitled to Free School Meals, please follow the normal procedure for this.

We have liaised with 'Skool Camp' with regards to provision available and can share the following with you:

- Care between 7am and 9am costs £7 per day including breakfast
- Care between 3pm and 6:15pm costs £9.50
- These are Skool Camp's usual prices but please be aware that concessions may apply

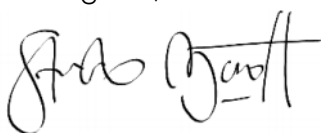
If you require further details, would like to discuss additional care packages or would like to book a place please contact Kelly on 07703608920.

On behalf of all at #TeamManorGreen, I would like to wish you good health as we move forward in these uncertain times. It is comforting to know that we are all doing everything that we can to keep our children and ourselves safe with our core value of care at the heart of everything we do.

As we move forward, we will continue to offer help and support in whatever way we can.

Take care and stay safe.

Kind regards,



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The simple act of  
caring is heroic.

Edward Albert