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Coronavirus update

Dear parents & carers,

I am sure you will have heard the Prime Minister's announcement last night sharing the plans to ease lockdown restrictions. It is important to stress that the current situation has not changed and that schools remain closed to all except for children of critical workers and vulnerable children. Please do not send your children to school unless they fall into these categories.

When these announcements are made, we receive them at the same time as you. Once we have received further information and guidance from the government, I will write to you again laying out our plans and procedures to make school as safe a place as it can possibly be for your children, yourselves and for school staff. This will give you the chance to prepare your children for a very different school experience when they return.

Class teachers will be ringing every family over the next two weeks to check in with you and your children. Take this opportunity to talk about how your family is coping with the challenges of home-learning, lockdown and social distancing and if there is anything else school can be doing to support you. At the end of this letter you will find a checklist for you to use with your child at home to help plan each day.

We will continue to upload home-learning activities to the school website where you will also find links to the brilliant BBC Bitesize and Oak National Academy who are both providing daily online lessons for all ages.

I am very pleased to report that the majority of eligible families are now able to access food vouchers through EdenRed. Please get in touch if you are having difficulties with the food voucher scheme. We also continue to arrange food parcels and deliveries to families in need – please email admin@newparkacademy.co.uk or ring 07464 427 142 to request a parcel.

We miss you all very much, please take very good care of yourselves and each other,

Mr Mold

Supporting home learning routines

Planning the day

Consistent routines are important for behaviour and wellbeing in school and our routines at home have changed significantly. Routines support behaviour and you will be finding a new rhythm with your family. You could share this checklist with your child. Talk to them to help them plan their new routines.

	M	T	W	T	F
 I woke up at a good time.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I did some exercise.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I had regular meals and drank water.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I enjoyed some reading in a quiet space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I practised a maths skill.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I completed some school work at my work space. I chunked it so I had some breaks too.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I talked to my family about my day and how I am feeling. I asked them about their day.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I helped with a household job and talked to my family while I did it.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I contacted my friends.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 I spent some time on my creative hobby.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 My parent/carer told me what I did well.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 My goal:	<input type="checkbox"/>				
 My goal:	<input type="checkbox"/>				

