## **Rakegate Primary School**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Together with the Governors, we have made the decision to close the school for this week to all pupils, except for those who are classed as vulnerable or children of key workers. We will review this on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January to make a decision on opening school for the following week. This will be announced on the morning of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

Sadly, the number of cases of coronavirus in Wolverhampton has continued to rise in recent days, with latest data showing an infection rate of 530 people per 100,000 in the city – the highest in the region. We need to close to protect our pupils, staff and families. We strongly believe this will help to protect further spread in the community in which we serve.

All children not attending school will be able to access remote learning through the home learning page on the Parents tab on the school website.

Parents/carers of children classed as vulnerable and children with an Education Health and Care plan will be contacted this morning to offer them a place in school.

If you are a key worker and would like your child(ren) to attend from Tuesday, please contact the office by telephone or email by 12.00pm today, in order for us to put plans in place.

Children who do attend, will be kept in their year group bubbles and will follow the normal school timetable. They will be expected to wear uniform and arrive and leave at the usual gates at normal times.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, we will be providing hampers for you to collect from the main reception. Please contact school by 12.00pm today if you would like a hamper ordering. We will send a Marvellous Me informing you of when they will be available for collection.

If you have any problems accessing home learning or need to borrow a device, please contact the school.

We apologise for the late notice and appreciate this change may cause you some inconvenience, however the safety of our school community remain to be our absolute priority.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Horton Headteacher





