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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Re. Coronavirus Update last letter for a while!**

### **Key Worker Provision Update**

It is important that schools and communities work together to support each other. **We will host our key worker children to and including Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, when our easter break will now officially begin. This will be for the normal school day of 8.45am – 3.15pm.**

Following the Easter break, we will be working with Ramsgate Holy Trinity, Palm Bay Primary School and Callis Grange Infant school. It is the intention of all four schools that the 'hub' school for key worker children will be based at Palm Bay Primary School and we working hard to make this logistically possible, starting by identifying exactly which families and how many pupils will be eligible for this childcare.

As you may expect, things are very fluid right now and may change. If we move to a hub school after Easter, we will ensure they are familiar faces for all the children, as well as making sure we always have key staff on site such as those who are first-aid trained and Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs).

**You will be notified via email whether you qualify for care at St. Peter's next week, and the hub school beyond.** I realise this may seem harsh, but I cannot stress to you how much safer your child will be in the home. We wish to be closed for as little time as possible, and therefore we must take every possible precaution to minimise the spread of the virus.

For those families who must use this emergency provision, I can promise you that St. Peter's will remain a happy, safe and fun place for your children. We have a huge amount of resources here and we will be able to provide a wide variety of activities for all children, as well as emotional support.

### **Contacting the School next Week and Beyond**

The office phones will be on answerphone and these messages will not be picked up daily. If the message is urgent, please email the school via [office@stpetersthanet.co.uk](mailto:office@stpetersthanet.co.uk) as this will be manned remotely, daily during the mornings 9am-12pm.



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### **Useful Links**

As well as the website learning for each year group posted every Monday, Mrs Newport and the teaching staff have been working on some useful links. These will be attached to this email and more will follow via email.

### **Further Communications**

As mentioned in my previous letter, all further communication will be via email. Home Learning will be every Monday, via email and via the school website. Please regularly check your junk email folder in case our school emails go to there.

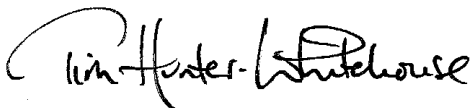
### **Thank you**

Thank you to the St. Peter's community for coming together and being so very supportive of us and one another during this extremely difficult time. You have shown us once again what a great community we have here at St. Peter's.

I would like to let you know how proud I am of our incredible staff team, who are being completely professional, positive, calm and kind, during what is a very extraordinary week. They are a credit to me as the Headteacher of this fantastic school.

Finally, to our pupils, who have been calm, patient and brave during this week – I think you are incredible! I will miss them very much over the forthcoming weeks and I look forward to seeing them all again very soon.

Wishing you, your family and your friends the very best for the days and weeks to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Hunter-Whitehouse". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tim Hunter-Whitehouse

Headteacher

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