



Somerford Primary School

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Dear Parents

I hope Day 1 of having the children at home has been a success – we certainly miss them all here!

I am writing to let you know about some support available to you at this challenging time.

- School website – we have uploaded a whole suite of resources and links to the home learning page. There are also suggestions for physical activity at home and ways to keep on top of mental health
- Family Partnership Zone – they are still open and currently you can call or drop in. There are no groups running. The FPZ can advise about many things including financial support, parenting, mental health and lots more. Their number is 01202 225724.
- MASH – if you have concerns around safeguarding, please call the MASH on 01202 458101. During the school closure it is important to remember safeguarding is everybody's responsibility
- Christchurch Foodbank – if you are in receipt of free school meals, you should have received vouchers from the Foodbank. Anyone, however, can contact them to see if they can support. Contact Tracy Blick Projects Managing Coordinator 07587371088/ 07855177964 christchurchfoodbank@gmail.com
- If you would like to contact school, please use the office email – office@somerset.dorset.sch.uk . If calling the school, you can leave a message and these will be checked regularly however there may be a delay before you receive a response. You can also contact your child's class teacher for learning related enquiries on the class email address
- We continue to offer a takeaway service for children in receipt of free school meals every weekday between 12.30 and 1.30
- If you are struggling financially during this period, please contact the school as we have access to some charities who are offering grants. Please chat to us to see if you meet the criteria
- The government have announced a lot of measures to support people affected financially by Covid 19. Please see this link for details.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/support-for-those-affected-by-covid-19/support-for-those-affected-by-covid-19>

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We also want to keep in touch with all of our young people and staff will be phoning home at different times in the week. If we can't reach you on the phone we will pop round to say hello. If we have not reached you on the phone or at home, we will alert Children's Social Care for advice as we need to ensure all our children are safe and well. Please pick up the phone!

We fully recognise what a challenging time this is for us all in so many ways, and we want to continue to help as much as we can.

Best wishes

Helen Frampton

Head teacher

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