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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you and your family safe and well in these most difficult of times.

As I am sure you are aware the Primeminister has introduced a new national lockdown. This means our school will remain closed to all pupils except the vulnerable and the children of key workers. This will be reviewed by the Government for the February half term.

We will continue to provide remote teaching and learning for all of our pupils who are not in school. Live learning and recordings of these sessions are on Google Classroom. It is important that children access these. If children are not in attendance, we will be contacting you to help make sure children do not miss learning. If you have any technical difficulties please contact [googlehelp@salmestone-tkat.org](mailto:googlehelp@salmestone-tkat.org). We will be making welfare calls to keep in touch and look forward to speaking with you.

If your child is in the vulnerable pupil or Keyworker priority group and you wish them to attend school you should have already informed us. Please note that the need for social distancing, smaller group sizes and other COVID 19 mitigations means that places are greatly restricted. If we have more pupils wanting places than we can safely accommodate then the Kemnal Academies Trust has advised us that we should prioritise and/or rota places. If we need to do this we will let you know. Those pupils attending school will be supervised to broadly follow the same curriculum as those pupils who are being taught remotely.

For those pupils entitled to free school meals, we will be sending out arrangements shortly.

I absolutely share your disappointment that we have not been able to return our school to its normal happy thriving place for all pupils and understand the challenges that families will face during this next lockdown. Rest assured we will do all we can to provide a meaningful and supportive experience for your child through this lockdown and look forward to returning to normal as soon as we can.



Mr N Pantling  
Headteacher