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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well.

You would normally have received this 'Welcome back to the Summer Term' letter today welcoming your children back to school after the two week Easter holiday. As we are all very much aware, things are certainly not 'normal'. The government has recently announced a further extension to the current lockdown to be reviewed in three weeks' time due to the Coronavirus pandemic. This means that our school will remain closed to the majority of pupils until further notice from Public Health England (PHE) and the Department for Education (DfE)

I am aware that this period of school closure may very difficult for you. I would like to thank you sincerely for following government advice in keeping your children at home during this crisis. It is very important that we all play our part in helping our country overcome the Coronavirus.

Our school remains closed to the majority of pupils, with a very small number of children of key workers or from vulnerable families in attendance. We are following the government's instruction by advising all parents that the safest place for children at the moment is to be at home. We have also significantly reduced the number of staff (teachers, support staff, administrative staff, midday supervisors, cleaning, catering and premises staff) in school on a daily basis. Members of my SLT; I, my Deputy Head (Miss Cabero), my Assistant Heads (Mrs Rose and Miss Rajan-Weare) and Ms James, the School Business Manager, are at school on a rota. You will still be able to contact the school in the usual way – by phone or email. I will ensure that new information on school closure is posted on the school's website to keep you informed of any changes in line with the advice from the government, PHE and the DfE.

Thank you for continuing to support your children at home with their learning. Whilst we recognise that it is important for your children to learn while they are at home, we appreciate that the majority of our parents and carers are not teachers – we do not expect you to be 'teaching' your children in the same way that teachers would do at school. The last thing we want is for these activities to become a struggle that you have with your children each day. What matter most is that your children are safe, healthy and happy and that they are reassured that everything is going to be fine. Our teachers will try to make home learning fun, engaging and as interesting as we possibly can. Learning for Week 1, week beginning 20th April 2020, has been uploaded. I hope that you enjoy the learning with your children. If you are unable to access the online home learning, or if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher from the Year group email address below:

ARP: arp@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk

Nursery: nursery@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk

Reception: reception@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk

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Year 5: year5@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk
Year 6: year6@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk

You can also contact the office at: office@johnperry.bardaglea.org.uk

If you do not have access to a printer and you would like hard copies of the home learning packs, please inform your child's class teacher or the office. Our Nursery home learning pack will be available on our website from next week.

Once again, thank you for keeping your children safe at home. This has enabled us to keep our whole school community as safe as possible. We look forward to seeing you and all the children back at school when this crisis has passed. In the meantime, please continue to keep yourself and your family safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Wayne Pedro
Head Teacher

