



## Bayford (C of E) Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents,

I've never known anything like what we're experiencing right now and I know you'll be as worried as I am about the health of your loved ones and the livelihoods of those around you. At Bayford School we have a critical role to play in supporting our pupils and their families. Our heartfelt commitment to you is that we will work through this, together, in the most co-operative, responsible and compassionate way we can, just as you would expect us to. While I don't have all the answers, I wanted to write to you to update you on how Governors and Staff are responding to government recommendations.

Right now our school team is working out the best way for them to handle the school closure. Staff have been working hard to ensure that the education of our pupils continues while they are at home and I urge you to support this. You will have heard on the news that all tests, including KS1 & KS2 SATs, phonics screening check and multiplication tables check are not being held next term, along with other exams taken in secondary schools.

This has been quite a challenging school year in many ways but, as you know, Bayford has been judged by Ofsted to be a Good school and we will not allow that judgement to slip, however hard the challenges we are currently facing.

These are exceptional times but I promise that the education of our pupils is paramount and the Governing Body of Bayford School will work hard to support Dr Foster, his staff and the pupils through this difficult time and make sure you are kept updated.

Take care

*Brenda Lambie*

Chair of Governors