

Headteacher: Mrs S Campbell
Deputy Headteacher: Mr P Beach

Dear Parent/Carer

School Closure

All students can continue their learning during this period of school closure. Our teaching staff have been working hard to upload work which can be accessed through the school website www.settlebeck.org and I know many of you have already begun to use this. Any completed work should be emailed back to the subject teacher where possible. Teaching staff will be available by email to answer any questions and provide feedback on the work that is set. Please be aware that there is no expectation that your child completes 6 hours a day. Each member of staff will set a deadline for work to be completed and where possible we would like your child to meet that deadline.

We fully understand that this is a very challenging time for families and there may be times when completing any school work is impossible or family time is more important.

Support accessing work

If you are having difficulties accessing the work due to technical issues please email techsupport@settlebeck.org

Support for well-being

This unprecedented situation presents many challenges for our children. We aim to contact each family weekly to offer support and just talk with your child. Please do not wait for that call if you are concerned about your child or any other child. It is important that during this period of isolation we monitor social media usage. If you have a concern about a child please email safeguarding@settlebeck.org. This account will be checked daily.

Financial Support

For those students in receipt of free school meals we have been working hard to find a local solution as although the Government announced a voucher scheme this has yet to materialise. If any families, even those not currently eligible for free school meals, are faced with financial difficulties during this period, we can support by providing lunch for your child/children.

Access to school for critical workers

Settlebeck School is not opening over the Easter Holiday. If you need support with childcare after the Easter Break please contact me by Thursday 9th April. I will then make a decision based on need and availability of staff. This only applies to the families of critical workers and those students with an EHCP where no other alternative is available. Government guidance could not be clearer in stating that we must 'stay at home'.

Thank you for your continued messages of support and we look forward to the time when our school community can be back together again

Best wishes



Sarah Campbell
Headteacher