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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your patience and understanding over the last couple of weeks whilst we grapple with managing the ever-changing guidance around COVID-19. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their commitment to Newhall and how supportive they have been to myself and the leadership team as we prepare for closure.

The next few months are going to be exceptionally challenging for everyone, as we do not know when we will reopen. The circumstances we are working in are unprecedented and we have tried to plan so that we can provide care for vulnerable children and children of key workers for as long as it is needed. Our staff are working on a Rota basis and I would like to thank them for their flexibility around when they will be coming into work and when they will be working from home, whilst taking into consideration the needs of their own families.

All children should now have their learning packs and there are further learning opportunities available on our website. If our closure goes on beyond April 20th, we will look to create more learning packs and we will email you through details of how you can access these.

The <u>office@newhallacademy.org</u> email will be checked regularly and so will any messages left on the main school phone. In an emergency, the following mobile telephone number can be used: 07785 445432.

I hope that everyone stays safe and well. We will endeavor to keep you updated with further information as and when it is made available to us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Debbie Gayler

