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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. This was not the start of term that anyone wanted or wished for however as you are all aware, the decision was taken by the Government at the start of this week for all schools to remain closed and for pupils to access remote learning at home.

I am writing to you all to update you on the current situation in school. We have remained open for the children of critical workers and vulnerable groups. I have taken the decision that this will be a total of 15 children in each year group to ensure that we can maintain social distancing in school and keep everyone safe. Each year group is staffed by teachers and teaching assistants who the children know. They are completing the same work that is being issued as remote learning for all other pupils who are working at home.

All year groups have provided online learning resources which you can access at home. This will be updated weekly and will provide your child with a range of activities to ensure they can continue to learn whilst at home. I urge you to do your best to complete the activities, it is really important that all of our children continue to learn even though they are not in school. If you have any questions about the remote learning, please do not hesitate to contact your child's year group through the year group email address, for example: year1@bordsgrn.bham.sch.uk.

We have been issued with 88 laptops which can be loaned to families who do not already have one at home. These are currently being issued to families of children who receive Pupil Premium funding, as you will appreciate 88 is not enough for one for every child or family. If your child has not got access to a laptop or device and are not eligible for a laptop from school, please contact your child's year group through the year group email address and we will provide a pack of work for your child to complete at home.

As in the previous lockdown, I would like to ask that you email me a photo of your children completing their school work at home. If you would like to, please email me

at <u>headteacher@bordsgrn.bham.sch.uk</u>. I am looking forward to seeing examples of the excellent work that your child is doing whilst not in school.

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me or Ms Burgess through <a href="mailto:enquiry1@bordsgrn.bham.sch.uk">enquiry1@bordsgrn.bham.sch.uk</a>. Thank you.

**Yours Sincerely** 

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