

Monday 23 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, thank you to everyone for all of your efforts today with what was a hugely successful first day of home learning! Students have done a great job of accessing Google Classrooms but if anyone has any problems please email ithelp@ullswatercc.co.uk

Please see below the most recent update from Cumbria County Council;

URGENT UPDATE

**DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL UNLESS YOU ARE AN ESSENTIAL WORKER
AND YOU HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE OPTION.**

Some schools are choosing to open on an emergency basis. This is not free childcare.

Only where a parent is employed in an essential job AND their specific role is critical to the country's COVID-19 response AND there is no alternative childcare option available should children be sent to school.

If there is a second parent, or other suitable non-vulnerable person in the household, and they are not an essential worker they should look after children unless families make alternative arrangements.

If families do not act on this guidance, schools that are open may be overwhelmed and children will not be safe.

Be responsible. Please do not make a bad situation worse.

Please share this text on social media.

We'd also like to reiterate the government advice on social distancing – students should not be meeting up or socialising in groups – it's really important to stay at home!

Due to increased internet traffic some emails aren't getting through so we are posting all parent letters on www.ullswatercc.co.uk – including one we sent today on parent advice and wellbeing.

We will email home a copy of student timetables to give parents an idea of the lessons that they should be following each day.

Any students in receipt of free school meals, please monitor your emails and we will send an update as soon as it is available. If you would like to collect a packed lunch from school tomorrow, Tuesday 24 March 2020, please email tbirkbeck@ullswatercc.co.uk by 10am.

Yours faithfully
Mr S Gilby
Headteacher