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Dear Families,

With all the media discussion about lockdown changing and schools reopening in some way, I wanted to reassure you that we have not had any more information about this than you have heard. We are mindful of what this means to everyone and are planning for different scenarios, but this is tentative at the moment until we have more information. I am part of a network of CEOs that meet regularly and during the crisis we have been inviting the leaders in Surrey to these meetings. We have written a joint letter to the government requesting that they work in partnership with local authorities and Trusts to plan reopening. We will let you know when we hear anything further.

School care hubs

Our three school hubs are thriving, and numbers are steady, having increased since the Easter break. Each site is establishing routines for learning and playing with the children there. This week, Surrey Outdoor Learning ('SOLD') has joined us at each site, offering groups orienteering and problem-solving activities which the children have thoroughly enjoyed. One head teacher commented:

'Can I just pass on a message from my staff on the rota today? We had Surrey Outdoor Learning in and the staff and the children absolutely loved it. They managed to get out before the rain came but both staff and the children found it inspiring... it brought a smile to so many faces!'

Premier Sport staff are also offering activities at several centres.

Please do ensure that as a critical worker or invited parent, you book places for your child(ren) as soon as possible so that we can be preparing staff rotas to meet the needs and give the children the happiest, best possible socially-distanced experiences each day.

Bereavement Support

With the uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 we are in a period of heightened anxiety for everyone. Jigsaw (South East) supports all who need it and to answer any queries you may have.

<https://www.jigsawsoutheast.org.uk/>

Information, advice and guidance to help support bereaved children, young people and those facing the loss of a loved one during the Coronavirus outbreak. Supporting families across Surrey, West Sussex and surrounding areas.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

All services are being delivered on-line and by telephone, email or text during the pandemic.

Yours sincerely

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