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Dear Parents and Carers,

I feel that I have bombarded you with information over the last few days – apologies but as you can appreciate these are currently very challenging times.

First, we would like to thank you for your continued support over the past couple of weeks while trying to deal with the ever changing land scape of the outbreak of the COVID-19.

The guidance from the Education minister is clear "If children can stay at home, they should"

Our view is that the vast majority of children will be safer at home and based on the guidance all parents/carers where possible, should endeavour to keep their children at home safely. The fewer children making the journey to and from school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread across Stockton and the wider community.

We would also really appreciate and ask if your child does become unwell while at home (including over the Easter period), please can you keep in contact and update us by the email addresses below. This is so we have can have an over view of who the COVID-19 maybe possible affecting, which in turn may inform our own actions.

## Key contacts

Kathryn.thompson@horizonstrust.org.uk (Principal)

Angela.Nottingham@horizonstrust.org.uk (Parent support advisor)

The tutor teams will also endeavour to contact you by phone or the class dojo each week just to 'check in' and ensure everything is going okay at home.

We have also received information today that the family hubs across Stockton will be open between 10-2pm each day if you require further food provisions. Addresses are below.

Stockton Family Hub Yarm Road Stockton-On-Tees TS18 3PJ 01642 524731













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## Thornaby Family Hub Tedder Avenue

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Thank you for your continued support and please keep yourselves safe and well.

Kathryn Thompson