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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a thinks you for all of your patience and understanding in the last 24 hours. I am sure you will all still have questions and concerns about the on-going education of your children during this new lockdown. We share them and are working hard to provide the best support we possibly can as well as answering all of the questions that last night's announcement raised. We will continue to communicate with you all regularly as we re-establish and refine systems for: remote learning, key worker and vulnerable pupil provision and providing free school meals.

Thank you to all of those who responded to the email earlier today regarding key worker and vulnerable pupils' provision. We are still establishing current demand and ensuring that we can meet this whilst having the flexibility to meet what needs might emerge in the coming weeks. If you have any queries on this then please get in touch, the school office will be open throughout.

You will of course be aware that we are offering remote learning straight away, well done to all of those who have engaged so far. We will communicate in detail early next week on remote learning: what you can expect from us and what we will expect from the children. We are acutely aware in school of the impact the second lockdown could potentially have on our pupils. Having worked incredibly hard for a term to catch up on lost learning, they now find themselves in the same situation. It is therefore important that we spend these initial days ensuring that remote learning can be effective for all. Teachers will also be distributing work packs and physical resources (books, pencils etc.) over the coming days and into next week. If you have an issue with any of the following please contact the school by ringing the office or emailing <u>head@st-erth.cornwall.sch.uk</u> and we will work with you to find a solution this week.

- Do you have all the required logins for your child's accounts to support remote learning? Seesaw, Doodle Maths and Reading Eggs?
- Are you struggling with physical resources?
- Do you have adequate devices (tablets/laptops) to enable your child/children to learn effectively at home?

We are working with our catering providers and our academy trust to establish what the procedure will be for providing children with benefits related free school meals during this lockdown. The government has not announced that they will fund vouchers. As soon as we have an answer we will be in touch.

In the meantime, please everyone take care of yourselves and look after each other. Staff are in school each day and we are all ready to support in any way we can so don't hesitate to get in touch.

Yours Sincerely

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