



# Friezland Primary School

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## Friezland Update: UK School Closures

Dear Families,

First and foremost, please can I thank you all for your support during the last 24 hours as we find ourselves once more in a national lock down. After such a successful return to Friezland School yesterday with 100% attendance from pupils, this is the last thing any of us wanted. We understand that the news will have a huge impact on you and your family and that all of our usual routines and expectations will have to change significantly. Your kind words and e-mails have been extremely valuable to staff morale, as we once again try to work through these challenging and uncertain times.

Thank you for completing the Google survey we sent as this allowed us to plan accordingly for this morning's arrival. I can assure you that contacting you all at that time of night is not our preferred style of communication at Friezland. As with previous school closures, we can only offer places for those children who absolutely need to attend as their parent / carer is classed as a **KEY WORKER** and their work is critical to the COVID 19 response or for a child who meets the **VULNERABLE** criteria. Please note that this provision is NOT to support parents whilst they 'work from home' nor is it to reduce the number of children at home if a younger/older sibling is currently at home being cared for by a parent/carer. **If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.** Please understand that this advice has to be strictly followed in the interests of others and in order to manage any risk. A separate letter with booking details will be sent home today, for those that require provision. Please return this information to us as soon as possible.

For those children in school, the times will operate as they currently do: **8:45am – 3:15pm for Classes 1 and 2** and **8:45am-3:20pm for classes 3 & 4**. School meals will be available for children on site and we anticipate there being a hot and cold option although this may be subject to change and won't follow the usual menu structure.

For those families who are in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM), we are awaiting information from the Government regarding how the voucher scheme will operate. We will contact you as soon as we have the information. In the meantime, if you require support, please ring school in confidence and we will make arrangements for the collection of a daily meal / food parcel.

It is with regret that after today, **we are unable to offer our Before and After School Club provision, Frosties.** Unfortunately, we can't make the service viable with such low numbers and as it is funded through our school budget, there are no surplus funds to support the running costs. If anything changes, we will let you know immediately.





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Your child's learning and wellbeing, during this uncertain time, is of course of paramount importance to us, so we'll operate remote learning for those who are at home. This will be through the use of Google Classroom where all our pupils have an account set up and log-in details have previously been sent home. Across a week, we are aiming for a variety of learning tasks which will cover the school curriculum and feedback from staff, to support pupil progress, will be regular. Teachers also intend to meet virtually with their class via zoom on set days / times across the week. Class teachers will communicate further with their class, from tomorrow. Paper packs are also being prepared and details for collection will be shared asap. Remote learning will not replicate school learning but our expectation is that most children (if they are well) will access some learning each day.

We will continue to keep school communication channels open. The school e-mail address [info@friezland.oldham.sch.uk](mailto:info@friezland.oldham.sch.uk) will be checked daily and we will use Eduspot to send important texts / emails in the usual way.

Please don't hesitate to contact staff if you have any queries or require further support.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Miss Rachael Swaby (Headteacher).

