19th March 2020

Update on Coronavirus – Ark Swift will CLOSE on March 20 AND REMAIN CLOSED until further notice.

As part of its announcement about schools, the Government also said that:

- SATs will not take place in May
- Schools will be open to help support the children of key workers and for vulnerable students
- Provision for food will be made for students who qualify for Free School Meals (we will need an email address from you to set this up – see below)

We expect further details on how this will work in the coming days and will liaise closely with the Department for Education to ensure that we support our key worker parents and vulnerable students in any way we can.

Our other key aim is to ensure and maintain as much stability for the students’ education as possible and we have been planning for this outcome. Whilst it is not possible to fully replicate the educational experience at home, we have been working hard to put in place contingency plans to ensure students can still access work and teachers are able to support their learning.

We will update this page and keep in touch with parents.

While schools are closed, we should all continue to follow health guidance.

Find out how to protect yourself here: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

For further information on the government response, please visit: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

Updating Contact Details – Email Addresses

At these periods of uncertainty, it is essential that we have up to date email addresses for all parents. Please email Jessica Pawsey (j.pawsey@arkswiftprimary.org) with the email address you would like us to use to send updates to your family

This is an unsettling and disruptive time for everyone and we will work together as a school and local community to face the challenging times ahead. Thank you for your support and understanding during these exceptional circumstances. If we can do anything more to help your family, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Upfield
Principal