

## Parent/Carer Notes

Week commencing: 16th March 2020 Calendar: Week A

Dates	Forthcoming Events
Monday 16th March	
Tuesday 17th March	
Wednesday 18th March	
Thursday 19th March	
Friday 20th March	

School Clubs & Activities – Fulford School run over 50 extra-curricular activities each week. Please see <a href="https://www.fulford.york.sch.uk">www.fulford.york.sch.uk</a> for further information.

## Message from the Head Teacher

Thank you for feedback about the change in the school day. Some parent/carers and pupils have expressed concern about school clubs. School clubs are an essential part of the wider school experience at any school and that is certainly the case at Fulford. The reason we need to move to a split lunchtime is directly related to the growth of the school. If we did not need to split lunchtime in order to create space to accommodate children who live in catchment, we would not have done so. This does not mean clubs will stop. We put tremendous value on them and we will ensure we offer as many opportunities at lunchtime and after school as possible. Some of the makeup of these clubs may change structure and undoubtedly a split lunchtime will be a different experience for all. However I am sure you will agree that as a community it is important we support the access to a local school for the children of our friends and neighbours currently attending primary school.

We continue to receive daily updates and advice around the coronavirus from all relevant bodies. I know concern around the virus brings anxiety to some pupils and families. As we move in to a new phase it is wise to develop contingency plans should schools be instructed to close by the government. These are underway and will be shared with pupils and parents next week. It is important that pupils are able to access their school email account and class charts. Please use the weekend to check that this is the case. You will also be aware that the government has advised against overseas trips for pupils. We are currently making contact with the tour operators for our trips to Valencia and the Ardeche and will make further contact with parents/carers of pupils who are going on these trips.

It is uncertain times and we are reacting to situations that are difficult to predict. We will do our best to keep you informed and make the right decisions to care for and protect your children. We are appreciative of your support and patience.

Yours sincerely

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