## Leigh C.E. Primary School



20th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

This is a newsletter that I never thought I would have to write. Today school partially closes for the foreseeable future for all pupils except to those who have parents who are critical workers or for our most vulnerable pupils.

Our staff will continue to support you all, albeit in a more remote manner. But for some of you, we will continue to provide childcare and to go above and beyond, caring for your children whilst you work to ensure we can all do our bit to help fight this terrible pandemic. Last year we chose a Bible quote to capture what we feel best represents our school. Today, this seems more apt than ever:

## **Psalm 36:7**

How precious is Your loving devotion, O God, that the children of men take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have shown your support over the last few weeks; it has been much appreciated. I also want to thank my staff, who have families of their own, but have shown nothing but willingness to 'do whatever it takes'. I am incredibly inspired and proud of their dedication to your children.

We do not know how long schools will be closed, or if indeed the situation will escalate further necessitating in a lock down situation, but will continue to keep lines of communication open for the foreseeable future.

I would also like to reassure you that if this is a prolonged closure we will ensure that our wonderful Y6 pupils get the usual 'send-off' that they deserve and will re-schedule their graduation and leaving celebrations to later in the year ensuring they get the chance to experience this important rite of passage!

We will miss seeing your beautiful children each day; they light up our lives and we will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers daily. We look forward to seeing them again when school recommences and will ensure a fantastic 'welcome back celebration' for all.

Keep safe, keep positive and keep smiling!

Mrs Oxborough

Headteacher Mrs C Oxborough

