

COVID-19 Addendum to the SEND Information Report for Erdington Hall Primary School

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The current circumstances around SEND provision at Erdington Hall Primary School have been adapted due to COVID-19 and school closures. At this time, school is only open to those pupils with SEND/an EHCP (whose needs cannot be safely met in the home environment) or those children of parents who are Key Workers. Therefore, the provision provided has been adapted to meet current Government and Trust guidelines. Information on Government guidelines around SEND provision can be found at the following website addresses:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-vulnerable-children-and-young-people>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/send-code-of-practice-0-to-25#history>

During this time, pupils on the SEND register will be receiving phone calls from either the SENCO or their class teacher depending on the level of need. These calls will vary from being twice a week, weekly or fortnightly depending on the pupil's and family's needs. This level of contact will also be in line with advice from the Local Authority. These are well-being calls that will be an opportunity for staff to stay in contact and for families to request support for signposting to additional resources.

Outside agency support will continue during school closures. Information on how to access these agencies can be found in the SEND information section of the school website (<https://www.erdingtonhall.org.uk/send-information/>). The SENCO will also be maintaining regular contact with these agencies. If you would like to speak to the SENCO about any concerns, or you wish for the SENCO to liaise with the agencies directly on your behalf, please contact the school and leave a message for her, or request this support in the phone calls you will receive.

For our pupils with SEND who are working below their age related expectations, learning packs have been created and sourced by the support staff at school. These have been allocated and created with your children in mind and will be given out in the same way as the learning packs available to other pupils. There are also other online learning resources your children can access with links on the school website. In particular we would like to signpost you to the following online resources:

Online learning resources on the school website - <https://www.erdingtonhall.org.uk/online-resources/>

Daily online resources shared on the school website - <https://www.pegasusprimary.org.uk/daily-dose-live-learning/>

Maths Factor by Carol Vorderman - <https://www.themathsfactor.com/>

The Oak National Academy - <https://www.thenational.academy/>

Twinkl – www.twinkl.co.uk

Top Marks - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

We understand that there is a lot of uncertainty during this time and our own and family's well-being is paramount. Erdington Hall Primary School will continue to support our families and pupils with SEND and will support within the capacity given at this time. Additional to the support we can provide as a school, the Educational Psychology Service can also provide support at this time. This information can be found here - <https://www.birminghamandsolihullccg.nhs.uk/your-health/mental-health-support-offer>

Transition for year 6 pupils is likely to look different this academic year due to school closures. As information is shared by secondary schools about their plans for transition, these will be shared with pupils and families at the earliest opportunity.

