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Dear Parents/Carers,

Update on Coronavirus (COVID 19) Easter Holiday Provision

During the Easter holiday class teachers will be moving to a 'virtual holiday mode'. This means that holiday work will be set for children but that teachers will reduce their daily interactions with their classes so that both pupils and teachers have some opportunity to have a break from school work mode. As Headteacher it is my duty to ensure that staff have their entitled break from work despite these challenging circumstances. During this period, if you have any urgent messages for the school please e-mail me.

A number of staff including myself have over the last week contracted Covid-19 symptoms or are having to self-isolate because they are living with people who have symptoms. Some of these staff have been on the skeletal staff keeping school open for some families. In order to protect staff who are volunteering to come in and to reduce possible transmission to families bringing children into school, during the Easter break we are reducing school provision to 2 days per week. School will be open on Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th, Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th April. Please only bring your children to school if absolutely necessary. We all need to play our part to protect ourselves and the National Health Service

On a lighter note don't forget the Easter Egg Competition! Winners of this with lovely photos will be announced in our last newsletter of the term this Friday.

Yours sincerely,
Mark Owen
Headteacher

GILLESPIE SCHOOL

Easter Egg Decorating Competition

Decorate an egg and send us a photo
to enter this year's competition

The Theme:
Famous Historical Figures

Send a photo of your egg with name and year to
louisacfielding@gmail.com by 10am Fri 3rd April
Entries will be sent to Mark for judging