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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform that at the end of the day today (March 18th), St. Andrew's Primary school will be **closed.**

The reasons behind the decision to close for a period of time are, under the current guidance from Government, which require individuals who have an underlying health condition or a family member with a health condition to avoid social interaction, a significant number of our staff are now not able to work. Given the issues in finding even short-term cover, this means that we cannot provide enough teaching and support staff to cover our classes and meet the required health and safety pupil to staff ratios.

Having sought advice from the Local Authority and from up-to-date information on the Department for Education website, the Chair of Governors and I have made the decision to close the school for 7 school days up until and including the 27th of March. A review of the situation will then be made and you will be notified accordingly.

I appreciate this will have a significant impact on you and your children, however I hope you will understand that we are acting on the advice provided by health authorities, in the interests of our pupils, staff and families.
We are planning to re-open the school once we have sufficient staff available to do so and once I have further information, I will update all families.
Please look at the school website where teachers will upload learning resources and signpost you to various websites.
Should you have any further questions or queries, council's website where you can find links to all the latest NHS and government information and guidelines is: www.southglos.gov.uk/coronavirus.
Thank you for your continued support at this unprecedented time.

Best wishes

Mrs H Green   Mr S Youngs
Head Teacher   Chair of Governors

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