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Dear Parents,

Whilst we have tried to maintain normality in school this week it didn't seem appropriate to send our normal weekly newsletter. What strange times we are living in.

I never thought that I would ever need to write this letter.

It is with the utmost sadness that we will say goodbye to the vast majority of the children and you this afternoon. It is so very uncertain when we will open our doors again.

I consider myself to be extremely lucky to be the Headteacher of our school and that is because of your wonderful children, the amazing staff and you; our supportive families. We have a fantastic staff team at Holtsmere and we are very upset, that for the time being we cannot do what we love to do; teaching and caring for your children.

Our staff have worked tirelessly to ensure that work packs have been sent home, endless links, learning ideas have been posted and stories recorded for the reading for pleasure section of the website. We will continue to update this.

Teachers are also happy for you to email any questions that you may have regarding home learning. Please send them via my email [head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@holtsmereinfants.herts.sch.uk)  
I will continue to send a newsletter via the App each Friday, although it may be slightly different for a while!!

Do not hesitate to email me during this time if you have any concerns or questions.

Listen to government advice, look out for each other and we will see you all in the (hopefully) near future.

Love and kindness to you all.

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