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Sent by e-mail to parents, pupils and staff within GTAT

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Dear All

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your cooperation and support in these difficult times. To parents who have made extra efforts to keep their children at home. To staff who have continued to work in one way and another. To pupils who have had to attend for being so well behaved.

Schools in the Trust have been working closely together to ensure we provide a service for those pupils who need to come to school. In addition we have been in communication with other schools in our locality to gain maximum support.

Two of the Trust schools and another first school (Milborne St Andrew First School, Cheselbourne First School and Piddle Valley CE First School) have combined with all pupils attending the Piddle Valley site at the moment.

Across the Trust there are currently approximately 25 pupils attending. This varies from day to day depending on the shift patterns of parents.

Pupils at home continue to work through the guidance from their schools. Parents and carers are doing a great job in supporting the learning. We fully understand that it is not easy, however we are very grateful for all your assistance at this time.

The current arrangements of school opening will continue over the Easter period including Bank Holiday. As the predicted number of pupils to attend over Easter is low our policy is to work closely with those parents and carers in regards to that provision.

We join the rest of the country in thanking key workers who are at the front line fighting this virus. In addition we extend our appreciation to all those who are keeping the country ticking over as best they can.

It is hard to predict when we will return to normal. We shall however endeavour to keep you well informed of any new developments as they occur.

Lastly, all schools have information in regards to the pandemic on their websites and we have now set up a page (<u>https://www.greenwoodtree.co.uk/web/covid-19</u>) with the latest guidance on our website too, we will also keep copies of our correspondence.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Chadwick, Executive Headteacher