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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Information to Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6 parents/carers - short-term COVID-19 lockdown

As advised by Dr Rob McEwan earlier today, following the advice of the State Government, the School will be closed to students on Monday 18 October, except for children of permitted workers (as defined by the State Government) who are eligible to attend our Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) service. Details regarding eligibility for this have been provided in a separate EdSmart notice.

Given the short-term nature of this lockdown, teachers will not be providing formal, structured home-based learning during this time. However, we do encourage the boys to continue to read every day, and you will find some useful online resources on the next page which can be accessed from home if you wish.

If the lockdown period is extended, we have planning in place to deliver structured home-based learning. We have today sent boys home with their iPads or Chromebooks in case this is required. Details of these arrangements will be shared with you as needed.

Kind regards,

Mr Stephen Coventry
Head of Junior School

Useful online resources

You may find the following online resources useful.

- **Story Box Library** – <https://storyboxlibrary.com.au> – online resource for story books.
Username: THSstories
Password: THSstories
- **Reading Eggs** – on iPad – 2,500 books to choose from in the Library section. There is also a read aloud function so the books can be read to the listener. Username and Password are on the inside flap of the iPad.
- **Maths Seeds (Prep and Year 1)** – on iPad – found within the Reading Eggs App. Username and Password are on the inside flap of the iPad.
- **Mathletics (Years 2, 3 and 4)** – on iPad. Passwords will be provided to boys.
- **How to Draw** – there are many useful clips on YouTube, e.g. – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5XMF3Inoi8R9nSI8ChOsdQ>

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