



School Closure

Helpful Information

Message Service: 0116 276 7708

School Emergency Contact No 1: 07858816323 Email Contact: pastoral@dsatmerrydale.org

School Emergency Contact No 2: 07592951257

Leave a message and a member of staff **WILL** call you back.

Safeguarding Telephone Number for Leicester City Council: 0116 454 1004,

If you have concerns for the health and wellbeing of a child, contact the Duty and Advice Service.

Local Sure Start Centre:

Address: 34 Vancouver Rd, Leicester LE1 2GA

Phone: 0116 242 6370

Local Foodbank Information:

Leicester south food bank, Wigston : 07802 454740 / 07973 145019 / 07912 194783

Email us: info@leicestersouth.foodbank.org.uk

The Open Hands Compassion Centre (23-25 Highfield Street, LE2 1AB). Open: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10am-12pm (please arrive by 11.30am)

Leicester South Salvation Army, Ladysmith Road off Saffron Road South: 0116 277 4114

Email: office@leicestersouthsa.org.uk

Citizen's Advice:

York House, Granby St, Leicester LE1 6FB, Telephone: 0300 330 1025

Early Help Contact Number: 0116 454 1004

Samaritans

If you're having a difficult time

Signs you may be struggling to cope

If you're worried about someone else

Having a difficult conversation

<https://www.samaritans.org/> to get in touch with them or alternatively call 116 123 for **free**

NHS: You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you're staying at home, testing for coronavirus is not needed if you're staying at home.

ONLY Call 111 IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAS SYMPTOMS and you feel you cannot cope with these at home, or the condition get worse, and they do not get better after 7 days, then use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service. If you do not have internet access or call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999

Helpdesk Email: icthelpdesk@discoveryschoolstrust.org.uk

Please send an email to the above email address if your child is having problems accessing their work online or for any other online issues with regards to your child's work provided.

Children's Contacts



All Merrydale Junior School children are welcome to use the blog at <https://merrydalejunior.net/> - no password is needed to use this.



Any children that feel like they need to speak to someone about anything they are feeling, they can contact Childline online at their website <https://www.childline.org.uk/> or call free on 0800 1111.

There are also tools you can use on their website including art, games and a calm zone. They offer free online 1-2-1 counsellor chat if you need to talk.