



Friday 21st June 2019

Dear Parents

Thank you for your understanding today, it is never an easy decision to close a school but given the circumstances we were given no choice.

Firbeck has suffered a significant water leak and in order to repair this, all mains water to school has had to be turned off, leaving us without water for toilets, drinking or cooking the school meals.

The repairs to the water pipes are going to be extensive and then require the water to undergo a period of monitoring to ensure that it is safe for our children. This work is expected to take two weeks.

With this news, we have been working hard today to find alternative solutions so that we can provide an education for your child during this time.

From **Monday**, all children will be taught at the **University of Nottingham Samworth Academy, (NUSA)**, our local secondary school and part of our trust.

We will be using parts of the school which are separate or have limited access to the rest of the building. Our children will be supervised at all time and will have no unsupervised contact with the secondary children. We have been provided with an enclosed grassy area for outdoor play so that we can have our breaks and lunch times as normal.

We will expect children to arrive at NUSA on Monday at **8.50am**, entrance to our part of the site will be indicated by posters and Firbeck staff who will be outside helping to direct you to the right place.

From Tuesday, we will be operating a normal breakfast club for those children who normally attend.

Nursery children should arrive at the normal time and Nursery staff will explain to you about collecting your child during the day. Nursery children should bring a packed lunch with them as usual if they stay for lunch.

All other children will be provided with a free school meal for the time we are NUSA. If your child has any specific dietary requirements, then please let your child's class teacher know on Monday morning.

Milk and Fruit will be provided as usual for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children.

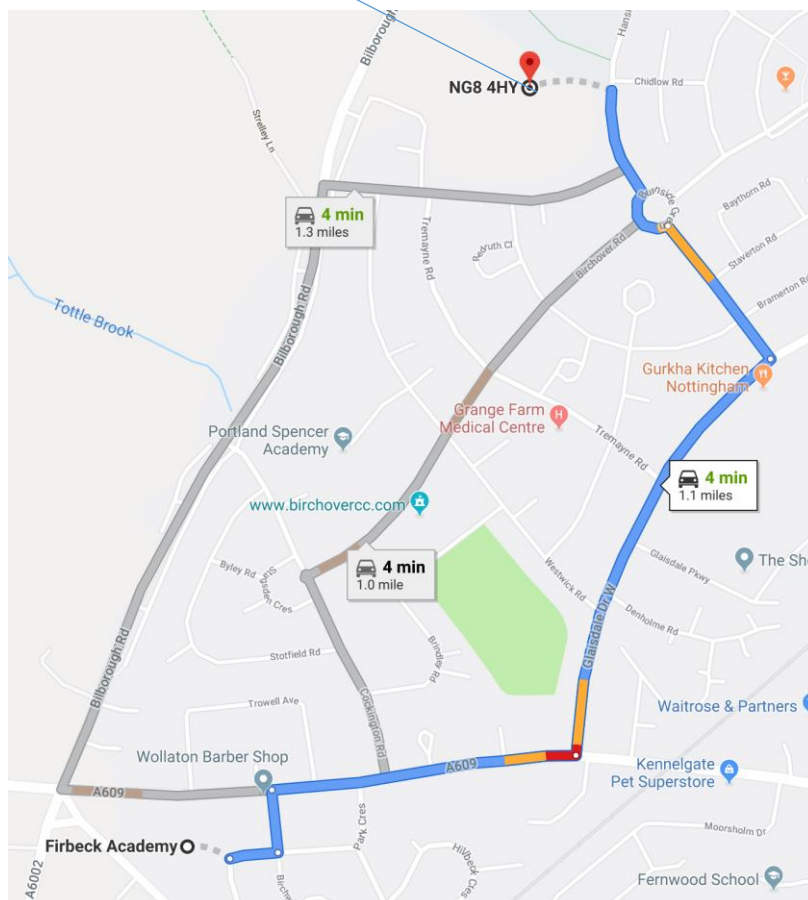
In order to allow our children to exit the school site safely, we will be closing the school at **3.00pm** for the duration of our stay at NUSA, we acknowledge that this may cause a problem for some parents and we will therefore be offering an after-school provision until **4.30pm**. This will be for those parents who cannot pick up at this earlier time. If parents could again let class teachers know if they will be requiring this provision so that we can show you where to collect your children and to arrange appropriate staffing levels.

If you need to contact school during this time then please use the normal Firbeck number as we are having the line redirected to NUSA, however, if you are having difficulty getting through then please use the NUSA switchboard who will direct calls to us. Their number is 0115 929149.

Thank you for your understanding at this time as we try to ensure continuity of education for your child.

We will communicate more next week about any further developments.

Location of NUSA





Please use this entrance to gain access to Firbeck Academy @NUSA

Main Entrance to NUSA please do not use.