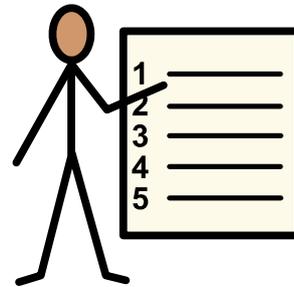


# Important Update:



Henshaws Arts and Crafts Centre

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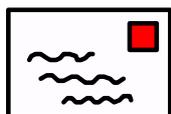
# Henshaws Arts and Crafts Centre



Closure. Following the personal phone



calls we have made this week.



This is a formal confirmation



regarding the closure of the

Henshaws Arts & Crafts centre in

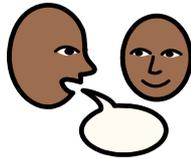


Knaresborough.

Any delay in communication was due to



us wanting to contact people personally



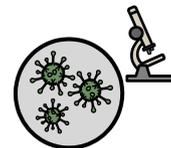
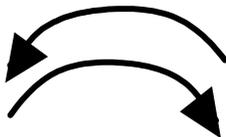
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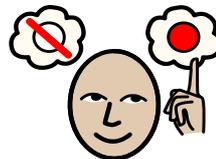
charities, Henshaws has been effected



hard financially by the Covid 19



situation, leading us to make some



difficult decisions about the services we



provide to our community.

# Our Arts and Crafts Centre in

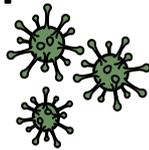


Knaresborough has been impacted

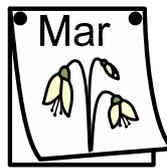
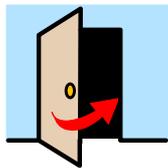
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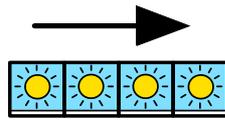
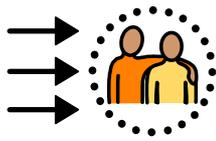
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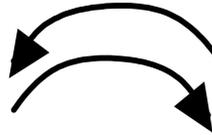
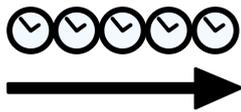
short term, having closed in March.



To protect the future of the Centre,



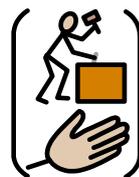
longer term changes will also be



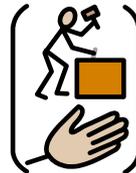
necessary. We need to ensure we are



delivering a safe service for our Art



Makers, and a service that is



economically viable for the charity



which has suffered in the last few



months.

Henshaws Arts and Crafts Centre will

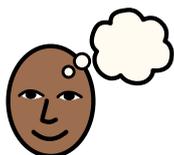


therefore not open in the foreseeable

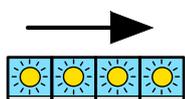


future, and not as before. We are

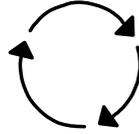
considering options for what the



future of the Centre will look like.



Providing a safe and sustainable



service will be at the heart of our



decision making. We are keen to



gather opinions of all stakeholders to

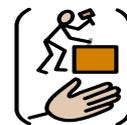


develop and open a broader offer for

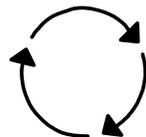
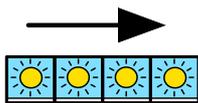


a more development centre in future

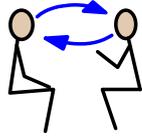
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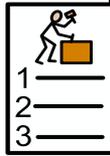
one that is sustainable.



We will be consulting with staff and



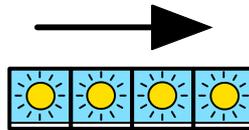
communicating our plans with Art



Makers, local authorities and the



wider community as we

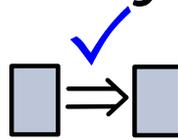


move forward.

We understand the current closure of



the Centre will undoubtedly cause



distress to yourselves - our



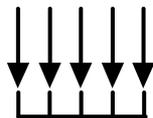
service users and their families -



as well as our staff and volunteers



and we will do everything we can to

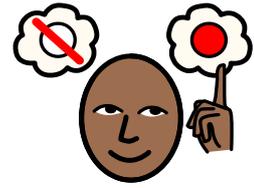
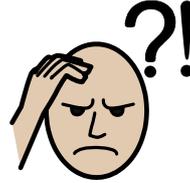
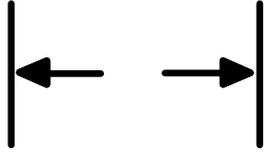


help during these sad and uncertain

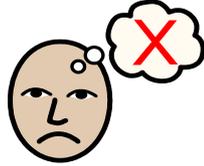


times.

These are extremely difficult decisions



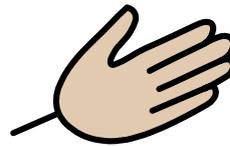
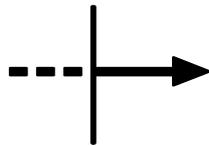
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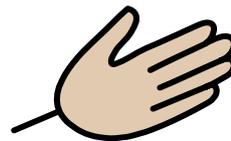
circumstances and our team will



continue to support people across



Yorkshire in every way we can. We



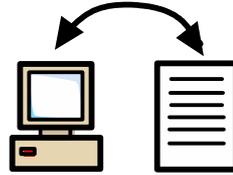
hope to work together to build a



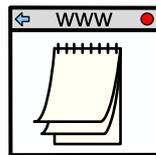
stronger Henshaws for the future.



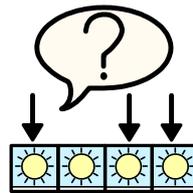
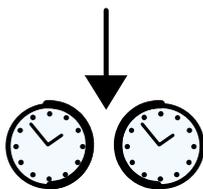
We will be posting any updates to



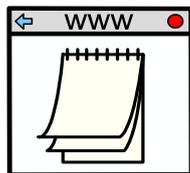
the Arts & Crafts Facebook page and



there will shortly be an FAQs on our



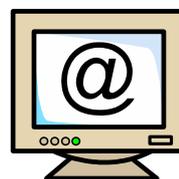
main Henshaws website. We



respectfully ask that **all** enquiries are

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# Glossary



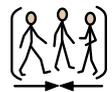
**COVID 19** - A new infectious disease.



**Stakeholder** - People who support the



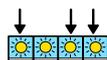
company.



**Exceptional Circumstances** - Unplanned events



supported by the government.



**FAQs** - Frequently asked questions.