



20th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Despite the Government promising to have this ready by lunchtime yesterday it got published around midnight last night. This is their guidance on the provision they are asking schools to continue to provide during the coronavirus outbreak:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

They are asking parents to keep children at home to limit the chance of the virus spreading, except for those who absolutely need to attend. Those children are classified as falling into two groups:

- Vulnerable Children
"Vulnerable children include children who are supported by social care, those with safeguarding and welfare needs, including child in need plans, on child protection plans, 'looked after' children, young carers, disabled children and those with [education, health and care \(EHC\) plans.](#)"
- Parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response
 - Health and social care
 - Education and childcare
 - Key public services
 - Local and national government
 - Food and other necessary goods
 - Public safety and national security
 - Transport
 - Utilities, communication and financial services

Within each of these categories the document gives more detail about the specific roles it covers.

If you feel that you or your child falls within one of these categories and you have not let us know or been contacted by school already about this, please can you let us know via email ideally to tfh@keevil.wilts.sch.uk and lh@keevil.wilts.sch.uk as soon as possible.

We are currently organising our provision for next week, which will be running from 8:45am to 3:15pm every day. We will subsequently move to a process of booking this on WisePay for eligible children, but the tight turn around of this has made that impossible for next week. The provision is entirely optional. It is there to enable key workers to continue their role or if it is in the child's best interests to attend.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Best wishes,
Lindsey Hermon