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IMPORTANT UPDATE

Monday 4th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am sure you have all just listened to the latest announcement from the Prime Minister. Unfortunately, I'm writing to inform you that the decision has been made to move to remote learning for all children except those of key workers and those deemed as vulnerable as of tomorrow (Tuesday 5th January).

From Tuesday 5th January the school will only be open for children of critical workers (remote learning will be provided for all other children). We have only received this information at the same time as you so I ask you to please be patient with us for the next day or two until we put things in place to support you all at home.

If you require your child to attend school, please validate that this is absolutely necessary, you (and your Partner) are critical workers and that you have no other provision for your child/children. Please complete the attached form **BY 10PM TONIGHT ONLY IF YOU REQUIRE A PLACE.**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11cbPKSyhFxzjf-ZUD9kam-fABViOeLphdLST5SEz_lo/edit

From Tuesday 5th January, only those who have completed the Google Form will be allowed to bring their child to school. School will be open 8.30am-3.30pm. There will be no breakfast or after-school clubs operating. School dinners will still be available this week in school (this may need to change from next week).

The children who are allowed to attend school are those of key workers and those deemed as vulnerable by the government. I have attached the government's list of key worker jobs and what it classes as a vulnerable child.

The purpose of this closure is to minimise the number of children in school so if numbers do get too high we will need to prioritise the children using the following priority system:



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1. Vulnerable children
2. Both parents are key workers or a single parent is a key worker
3. One parent is a key worker while another adult in the house is not deemed as such

All children who are eligible for benefit related free school meals will have access to one. If the child is in school, they will be provided with a lunch. If they are at home more details will follow.

I know that you may have many questions about this. Please email the admin email account or contact staff on Class Dojo (please be mindful of the time if this is tonight) and we will get back to you as soon as we can but please be patient as I expect we will be very busy.

In the meantime, please stay safe and thank you for your continued support.

Mrs L Robson

Key Worker/ Vulnerable list:

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



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