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Update on imminent school closure

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware from the announcement from the Prime Minister and Secretary of State for Education last night, Giffard Park Primary will be closed to **most** pupils as of the end of the school day this Friday 20th March 2020. We will remain open for those parents/carers in identified **key worker** roles and our vulnerable pupils.

At the time of writing to you we are **still awaiting the full detailed list from the government regarding key worker roles and further guidance for schools**, which is expected later today.

I am meeting with my Senior Leadership Team this morning to plan next steps moving forward. In the meantime, to help us with our plans please could you make contact with us by lunchtime on Friday via our dedicated inbox – school@giffardpark.milton-keynes.sch.uk with the subject 'Key Worker', to notify us if you are a family working in the following sectors:

- NHS staff
- Pharmacy workers
- Emergency services staff: paramedics/police/fire services
- Home carers, care assistants and health care assistants
- Delivery drivers delivering essential goods such as pharmacy or food items
- Teaching staff

Children who currently have an EHC plan and/or a Social Worker will be able to attend school.

Please include your child/ren's name and year group in your email so that we are clear which children are affected by yesterday's announcement.

All of the year group teams have planned tasks for children to complete at home and these will be sent out via parent mail in the coming days. Year 6 have already taken home paper copies of their home learning packs. These will be updated regularly for as long as we are closed.

I will be in contact as soon as possible to explain the new procedures to our families.

Thank you for your continued support in this situation. We will strive to do all that we can to continue the learning for all of our pupils. Wishing you and your family members continued good health throughout this time.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Donoghue
Headteacher

