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Dear Parents/Carers,

Further guidance has been issued by the government over-night including details about which pupils are eligible to continue to attend school during school closures. Please find a link to the guidance below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

Following the government's announcement, a list of occupations that constitute key workers can be found overleaf. If you believe that you are a key worker, you should confirm with your employer that your specific role is necessary for the continuation of essential public service. Please note, we may ask for proof of employment.

A child is eligible for childcare if one parent is a key worker; however, the main message is that if children could be cared for at home, they should remain at home. This is because we still need to follow guidance regarding social distancing and need to limit the number of people in school as much as possible.

We also ask that all key workers also follow these published key principals:

1. If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.
2. If a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them.
3. Parents should not rely for childcare upon those who are advised to be in the stringent social distancing category such as grandparents, friends, or family members with underlying conditions.
4. Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.

If you are a key worker and require childcare please contact the school on admin@earley-st-peters.wokingham.sch.uk stating which days you will require childcare. If you have contacted the school already to indicate that you are a key worker, please check that you still meet the criteria overleaf and contact the inform the school if you will no longer require childcare.

I would like to end this letter by again stating how proud we all are of our wonderful children, parents and carers. We hope that that all members of our school community remain safe throughout this difficult time and thoroughly look forward to when we can gather again and welcome all pupils back to Earley St Peter's.

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Further Coronavirus information

For further information on coronavirus symptoms, how to prevent the spread and what to do if you suspect you or a family member may have the virus, please follow advice at www.gov.uk/coronavirus.

Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Hester Wooller

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Executive Headteacher

Key Workers

Health and social care

This includes but is not limited to doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes childcare, support and teaching staff, social workers and those specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach.

Key public services

This includes those essential to the running of the justice system, religious staff, charities and workers delivering key frontline services, those responsible for the management of the deceased, and journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting.

Local and national government

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the COVID-19 response, or delivering essential public services, such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arms length bodies.

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery, as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines).

Public safety and national security

This includes police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic), fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff, those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas.

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Transport

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure), the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage), information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response, as well as key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services), postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.