



The Keys Academy Trust

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware, as from yesterday evening, the government has instructed all schools to close, as from the end of school on Friday 20th March, 2020, to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The After School Club will still be open until 6pm on that day.

Following the Prime Minister's announcement of March 18th, it has been proposed that all schools nationally will set up a service in order to support the families of "key workers" who are employed in critical service delivery areas. Further advice with regards to who "key workers" are, is expected to be announced shortly. This service will also include provision for children with particular needs. Over the next few days, we will be carefully considering how we will carry out this proposed strategy, and we will make further announcements as soon as possible, once further guidance is given.

At this stage, we will be taking time to plan our provision for the children who will be eligible to stay in school. Please email us on: admin@earley-st-peters.wokingham.sch.uk by the end of school today, Thursday 19th March 2020 if you work in one of the following professions and confirm whether you wish your child to continue to attend school.

- You are a member of NHS staff
- You work for the police or armed forces
- You work in the fire and rescue service
- You work for children or adult social care
- You deliver food or medical supplies
- You are a member of school staff providing cover for children in your own school
- You have been told by your employer you are in an eligible job (please give further information)

When we receive confirmation of eligibility from the government later this morning the above list may need to be amended.

As you will appreciate, we need to prioritise organisational planning for the school and we would be grateful if you only call or email the school office if it is urgent.

I appreciate that the sudden closure will cause a lot of inconvenience and concern, but it is important that we follow government guidance. I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding and reassure you that the school will remain in contact during the period of closure. I will update you further as soon as possible.

"Unlocking the Future"

I would like to end this letter by stating how proud we all are of our wonderful children, parents and carers. We really look forward to the next time that we can be together as a whole school family.

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

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Executive Headteacher