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20th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carers,

Please follow the link to the latest Government guidance for parents and carers about school closures; this was released by the DfE late last evening. This includes the confirmation about who is defined as a key worker.

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

You will see that the list is quite exhaustive.

I urge you, however to focus on the messages on page 3:

- If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.
- The government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend.
- The fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.
- Schools are, therefore, being asked to continue to provide care for a limited number of children.
- Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.
- If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be

That being said, if you really do require childcare and wish to apply for it we need to know.

Some of you have already been in contact and we have your details; these is **NO** need to contact us again.



If you have not yet informed us, please telephone the school office by **3pm today** (Friday 20.03.20) so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

Once accepted, you will be emailed a booking form and further details– attendance can **ONLY** be by prior arrangement.

I realise this is short notice however my hands are tied by the Government information coming out so slowly.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely



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