

20/03/2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

After the most recent directive from the Prime Minister our school will be closing on Friday for ALL children EXCEPT those who cannot stay at home safely and who:

- Have an EHCP plan
- Have an allocated social worker
- Or have a parent who is defined as a key worker

The government's definition of a key worker includes those working in:

Health and Social Care e.g. NHS, social care and medical supplies etc

Education and Childcare- e.g. nurseries, schools and social work

Key Public Services such as e.g. the justice system and religious staff

Local and National Government e.g. overseeing benefits etc

Food and other necessary goods e.g. production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery

Public Safety and National Security e.g. police, armed forces, fire, prison and probation

Transport e.g. air, water, road and rail workers.

Utilities, Communication and Financial Services e.g. banking, oil, gas, electricity, water, IT, postal services and waste disposal.

EVERY CHILD WHO CAN BE SAFELY CARED FOR AT HOME SHOULD BE.

THIS IS AN OFFER TO PARENTS AND CARERS AND THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO SEND CHILDREN TO SCHOOL IF YOU DO NOT NEED OR WANT TO.

We will be providing a care based facility similar to that of a holiday club.

Our directive from the government is this:

IF CHILDREN CAN SAFELY STAY AT HOME THEY SHOULD, TO LIMIT THE CHANCE OF THE VIRUS SPREADING

In order for us to provide the very best care for your children, we need to gain clarity about the numbers of pupils who will be attending our school from Monday 23rd March 2020.

By 2 p.m. today please respond to this class homework email address informing us if you will **or** will not need care for your child. If this is because you believe you are a key worker please state **your job title and name and contact details of your employer.**

We would also be grateful if you could confirm if your child will require the care club facility in our school.

Finally I can-not put into words how sad we feel that this may be the last day in our school for some children. We will ensure that once this situation has eased, a true celebration in some form or other will be held for all our leavers.

Many thanks

Mrs R Butler

Headteacher