

Friday 20th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for the support we have received since the government announcement regarding school closure. This is a difficult time for everyone and I know the news will have come as a surprise for many and is causing concern.

You may be aware that the government have now issued further guidance around the definition of key workers. However, I would like to stress that the government have also said:

"The principle is that if children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading. The Government is asking parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible – schools will remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend."

"If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be as 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."

Given other measures announced by the government regarding self-isolation for people with underlying health issues, we are operating on reduced staffing levels. We will always do what we can but we urge parents to adhere to the guidance above to help us in supporting parents, carers and pupils who need this the most and to limit the risk of infection.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss the issue further.

Yours sincerely

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