



CHURCH EATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: School Closure and Key Workers

This period of our modern history is without precedent so there are no rules to cover many of the situations that are occurring. As you will be aware, we will be closing our doors to a number of our pupils at the end of the day.

It is SUAT's view that, like all our citizens and fellow key workers, we have to support our communities to the maximum.

Accordingly, our position is that if either parent is a key worker their children can come to school. This obviously does not apply if one parent is a key worker and the other parent **does not** work.

The government have stated that wherever possible, if children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the spread of the virus. The school is open **ONLY** for those children who absolutely need to attend.

No pupil will be allowed to come to school unless we have been notified by parents beforehand via email/Classdojo and we have confirmed with them that their child can attend. Pupils that are in school will be supervised whilst they complete the packs provided. Please ensure that packs are sent into school with the children.

The Government has now published a list of key workers, which is as follows:

Health and social care

Frontline health and social care staff such as doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, as well as support and specialist staff in the health and social care sector. In addition, it includes those working in supply chains including producers and distributors of medicines and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

Nursery, teaching staff and social workers.

Key public services

Those required to run the justice system, religious staff, as well as those responsible for managing the deceased, and journalists providing public service broadcasting.

Local and national government

Administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the Covid-19 response or delivering essential public services, including payment of benefits.

Food and other necessary goods

Those involved in the production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery of food.

Public safety and national security

Police, support staff, Ministry of Defence civilian staff and armed forces personnel, fire and rescue staff, and those responsible for border security, prisons and probation.

Transport

Those who will keep air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the Covid-19 response.

Utilities, communication and financial services

Staff required to keep oil, gas, electricity, water and sewerage operations running. Staff in the civil nuclear, chemical and telecommunications sectors. Those in postal services and those working to provide essential financial services.

If you are unsure if you fall into Keyworker category, please contact me.

Church Eaton Primary school will continue to provide provision for the children of key workers during school hours: between 8.45 am and 3.20 pm, staff permitting. We will unfortunately not be providing before and after school provision.

You will not need to send your child/children to a Hub School at the present moment of time but we will be talking to our local schools if we are forced to close the school due to a shortage of staff or deep cleaning.

If your child has a Free School Meal, not a Universal Free School Meal, this will be provided.

We will be publishing weekly bulletins to keep you informed of developments.

Once again, we would like to thank you, in anticipation for your support in these extraordinary times. Please take care of yourselves and we look forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Yours sincerely

Simon Shaw

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