



March 20<sup>th</sup> 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Due to the short timescales for planning, I would be grateful if all parents and carers could make every effort to notify us by 2pm of critical worker requirements and free school meals requirements.

### **Critical Worker Notification**

The government issued further guidance yesterday on the offer schools will continue to make to keep children safe during the COVID-19 outbreak. We are planning how we will manage this in school on Monday.

The guidance is clear that if it is at all possible for children to be at home then they should be. If a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them.

Our team are making contact with parents/carers of vulnerable students. If you have not been contacted and have a concern about a vulnerable student, please phone school's Main Reception and one of our staff will get back to you as soon as possible.

The government has now provided a full list of critical workers which is included below and can be found below. If you have no safe alternative for your child and require them to be looked after in school for some or all of the working week, please complete the form here to let us know if you will require this provision: <https://tinyurl.com/ws4wdop>

Please note, in order to safely manage this provision, we request that this provision is only used when there is no safe alternative for your child and you meet the Government's criteria as a critical worker.

### **Free School Meals**

We are continuing to provide free school meals for collection next week while we await confirmation of the voucher scheme that is being developed by the Government. Please use the link below to let us know if your child will be collecting a meal: <https://tinyurl.com/qmoo4l5>

We will update you early next week on the next steps with the voucher scheme.

Yours sincerely,

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 Headteacher