

PRIMET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Sunday 3rd January 2021

FAO: All parents and carers of pupils at Primet Primary School

Dear Parent or Carer,

I am sure you've all been following the news regarding school closures in Tier 4 and the spread of the new variant of Covid-19.

We are writing to notify you that due to concerns regarding the spread of Covid-19, in order to limit the possibility of the spread of the virus amongst our school community and following discussions with the local authority, the governors and staff at school, starting tomorrow (Monday 4th January 2021) school will only be open for the children of keyworkers, for vulnerable children and for children with an EHCP.

This is clearly a fast moving situation which must be kept under constant review and we will limit the partial school closure to as short a period of time as possible. For now we anticipate that the closure will be for the next two weeks.

If you are a key worker, you must notify school that your child will continue to attend school. Please reply to any text you have received from school to confirm the name of your child and your occupation that qualifies your child as a keyworker child. Please confirm if your child will attend full time or for partial attendance. Please note that your child should only attend school for time when you are at work. (Please see the guidance: Critical workers and vulnerable children who can access schools or educational settings Updated 31 December 2020 which can be found on www.gov.uk website to check if you qualify as a key worker.)

If your family are currently receiving additional support from school or other services, your child will be able to attend school. We will have contacted you directly to confirm that your child can continue to attend school. If you have not heard from school and feel that your child should be attending school, or if you want to discuss the attendance of your child, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Tyson, our family support worker.

If your child has an EHCP then they will also be able to attend school.

If your child is due to start at school on Monday 4th January 2021, we would expect that they will still attend school during this partial closure.

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Those children not attending school will be able to access remote learning which will be available on our website from Tuesday 5th January 2021.

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals and if your child is not attending school, you will be offered a food parcel each week that school is closed which will be available to collect on Tuesday morning from 10am. You must contact school to confirm if you wish to receive a food parcel each week and can do so by replying to any text you have received from school.

We understand the difficulties this partial closure of school will cause for all our families and regret that this decision has had to be made, but feel it is necessary for the health and safety of our whole school community.

We also apologise for the late notification of this partial closure. It has not been an easy decision to make and is not one we have taken lightly but is one we have taken for the wellbeing and safety of everyone concerned.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Holmes
Headteacher

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