

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter follows up from yesterday's letter with news of the school closure for at least the next two weeks. The government will be reviewing this regularly and I will update you accordingly.

Key Workers

If you are a Key Worker, and you are unable to have your child at home during this period, your child will be able to attend our Key Worker provision in school. At the end of this letter is the complete list of jobs that are considered 'Key Workers'. Please note that this provision will be supervised by our staff from across the school on a rota basis and your child will not be in a class with their normal class teacher. Class teachers will be providing daily remote learning for both the children in school and those at home, and if your child is part of the Key Worker provision they will be accessing this work using the computers in school.

Key Worker provision will be from 9am and 3:30pm, and the children must be lined up, respecting social distancing, outside the Fitzalan Street gate each morning, ready to start at 9am. Parents will need to collect their children from the Fitzalan Street gate at 3:30pm prompt as there will not be after school club provision.

If you would like to register for a Key Worker place, please complete the Google Form at the link below. This must have been completed and submitted by 5pm tomorrow (Sunday).

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfyR-mH3H6XaezWtPmPTiq0a8l69KXAXkN-D0T0e0tkJQ4thQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

'Vulnerable' Children

Children considered as 'vulnerable' will also be able to attend this provision. Sue, Connor, Catherine or I will be contacting parents of eligible children directly to offer this. However, if you believe that your child is eligible for a place under this category, please also complete the above Google Form stating your reason.

Remote Learning using Google Classroom

Last term we sent out the Google Classroom login details so you should all have these already. Reception, Nursery, Year 1, 3, 4T and 6 have used these during previous bubble closures and Years 4 to 6 have used Google Classroom in school or for Home Learning, so this should be straightforward. However, if you have mislaid these or did not receive them, please contact Nicola Hall nhall@wtwschool.co.uk to request them. Nicola will respond to your emails on Monday.

The lessons and independent work will be uploaded daily at 9am and can be completed at any time throughout the day, and will include a mixture of videos, lesson presentations and independent work that must be submitted for the teacher to see. For the Early Years this will be done slightly differently but will still be accessed through Google Classroom.

A guide will be sent out to you on Monday explaining how to navigate Google Classroom and how to submit work. It will also outline what you can expect to see each day, and this will vary slightly according to the year group of your child. Please be aware that we currently have some staff ill with COVID so it may not necessarily be your child's normal teacher in the videos. However, wherever possible, it will be.

We asked you last term to let us know if your child does not have access to a tablet or computer, and we provided tablets to the children in Key Stage 2 who needed them for their homework. Please let us know if your circumstances have changed and if you need to borrow a device. We have a limited number of tablets and Chrome Books that we can loan to children who need them. Please email Nicola Hall nhall@wtwschool.co.uk if needed.

Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, we will be sending you a weekly voucher of £15 per eligible child. I will contact you directly with these next week.

Breakfast and After School Club Refunds

If you had already booked breakfast and after school club for the next two weeks, your account will be reimbursed in the next few days.

Contact with School

If during this period you need anything from us, please contact me on headteacher@wtwschool.co.uk or call the school office during school hours.

Your child's class teacher, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team, will attempt to call you and if possible speak to your child briefly each week where possible so that we can maintain communication and answer any questions you or they may have. The first call will be later next week. Please note that the calls are likely to come from a withheld number. You can also email your child's class teacher and they will respond during school hours.

Jen, our school Child and Educational Psychologist, is going to continue to be available one day a week via telephone or Skype for the children and families she is currently working with or anyone else who is experiencing anxiety. If this support is something that you find you need, please contact me directly initially.

We all really hope that this period of remote learning and school closure for the majority of children does not last long. We have always believed, and continue to do so, that children need to be in school and want the disruption to their education to be minimised. However, the rates of COVID in London are extremely high and agree that we must prioritise keeping the children, as well as our staff, safe.

Best Wishes,

Andrew

Critical workers

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and EU transition response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following sections.

Health and social care

This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response to deliver this approach

Key public services

This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased
- journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting

Local and national government

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of:

- the coronavirus (COVID-19) response, and the delivery of and response to EU transition
- essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export (including animal products, animals, plants and food), including in government agencies and arms length bodies

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food:

- production
- processing
- distribution
- sale and delivery
- as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)

Public safety and national security

This includes:

- police and support staff
- Ministry of Defence civilians
- contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and EU transition)

- fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)
- National Crime Agency staff
- those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas

Transport and border

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and EU transition, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass and those constructing or supporting the operation of critical transport and border infrastructure through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes:

- staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)
- the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response
- key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)
- postal services and delivery
- payments providers
- waste disposal sectors