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Dear Parents/Carers

### Re: Covid-19 Support for Frontline Critical Key Workers

I met with the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team this morning to plan how we are going to support front-line key workers so that they can continue to carry out their incredibly important role in our community in keeping us safe and saving lives.

The school has been inundated with requests for children of key workers to attend school from Monday, 23 March 2020. The Education Secretary has re-iterated this morning that the primary objective of all parents should be to isolate their families at home wherever possible in order to halt the spread of Covid-19. Sending your child to school should be a **last resort only** if you are a **critical, front-line** worker, and if you have absolutely no alternative childcare options.

From Monday, the school will be providing a childcare facility only during the hours of 8:45am to 3:10pm. Children attending school will not be taught the usual curriculum and will be completing the same work which is being set for children who are staying at home. There will be no food or meals provided; therefore, parents will need to send in a packed lunch.

The number of children whose parents have currently requested that they attend school is high and will only increase the risk of infection to other children, families and our members of staff. Should there be a case of infection at school, we will have to close the school childcare facility to all children and this will prevent **critical, front-line** workers from being able to carry out their duties. As such, I would like to request that parents think very hard about their requests to ensure that only children of critical, front-line workers attend who have no other childcare options. The more children who are sent to school, the more risk there is of spreading the virus and that we may end up closing and not being able to offer any childcare facility at all.

We will be in contact with all parents who have requested for their children to attend school on Monday to ensure that they are in a critical key worker role and that they have no other childcare options. Our aim is to ensure that we can continue to support front-line key workers being able to attend work for as long as is possible.

Thank you.

Kind regards

**Mrs S Hill**  
Chair of Governors

