



St Matthew's Bloxam C of E Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

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Following the updated information provided by the Government yesterday evening, all schools will close from the end of tomorrow (Friday 20 March 2020).

We are now working on plans to keep the school open from Monday 23rd March 2020 for the pupils specified by the Government. This was defined as:

- Pupils with social workers
- Pupils with an EHCP (Education Health Care Plan)
- Pupils who are the children of parents/carers who are key workers (examples given were NHS staff, police and delivery drivers).

For this group, the provision will be available for children of single parents/carers who are key workers or for pupils where both parents/carers are key workers and there is no alternative childcare available. In situations where one parent is a key worker and one is not, it is expected that the non-key worker will care for their child/children at home.

In these unprecedented circumstances, only a small number of staff will be available to supervise pupils, as staff will also need to minimise risks to themselves and their own families. In order to support us in preparing a plan, please can any parents who wish to send their child/children into school following the closure on Friday contact the school office by emailing admin3213@welearn365.com. Please include the following information:

- Name of Pupil
- Class/Year Group
- Profession and Employer of Parent 1
- Profession and Employer of Parent 2 (if applicable)
- Contact numbers if different from those held on school records

We will need to know the number of pupils who will be in school in order to make appropriate contingency plans, therefore we require a response as soon as possible. Please contact the school office only if you think you fall into the specified categories to be announced during today and wish to send your child in to school from Monday. **The Government has not yet provided a definition of key worker and therefore by providing us with the detail requested above we will be able to check against the criteria once we receive it, at which point we will be asking for evidence that your role is that of a key worker.** Unfortunately, it will not be possible to teach normal lessons. These children will be supervised by a member of staff (teaching or support) and will access the same materials for self-study as those working at home.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during this challenging time for us all.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs A Timson
Head Teacher