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Dear Parents and Carers

Registering a critical worker space at your child's school

Following the government's national lockdown guidance, parents and carers should now keep their children at home. Our schools will provide further details on how remote learning for students can be accessed.

Our schools will remain open for vulnerable children and the children of critical workers whose work is essential to the Covid-19 response. It is vital that we keep the number of students and staff in our schools to a minimum to prevent the potential spread of infection. If you are a critical worker and have no other childcare options, please click the link below to register a critical worker space at your child's school.

Critical Worker Registration Form: <https://forms.gle/rvWn33fATArCTTJT9>

Please complete the form by 12pm today to register a space for your child.

Critical workers include those who work in the key sectors below:

Health and social care

This includes doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff.

Education and childcare

This includes childcare workers, support and teaching staff and social workers.

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 and 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 essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export.

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery.

Public safety and national security

This includes police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel, fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff and 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.

Our Partner Schools

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.

All parents and carers who register a critical worker space for their child will be contacted by their school to confirm the space.

Please note that the school buildings and grounds will NOT BE OPEN to any other children or visitors. It is critical that we take every measure possible to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus and protect the children in our care and the staff who will continue to work.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Daly'.

Andrew Daly
Chief Executive Officer