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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to all parents and carers to provide you with an update regarding the current position to Coronavirus and school closure which we have now confirmed will take place after school closes today.

As you will know from the media, we are dealing with an unprecedented situation and the primary responsibility of us all is to protect everyone and minimise the risk of transmitting the virus.

We have not taken the decision lightly to close but the guidance from the government is very clear.

To limit the spread of the COVID 19 virus the government have asked parents to keep their children at home wherever possible and asked schools to remain open only for those who absolutely need to attend.

Late last night the government provided a list of those people who are classed as key (vital) workers. The list is as follows:

- **frontline health and social care staff including the distributors of medicines and vital equipment**
- **teaching staff, nursery staff and social workers**
- **people working in vital public services such as justice system, death registry workers, journalists in public service broadcasting**
- **government workers in local or national administrations in occupations needed to deliver the Covid-19 response and pay benefits**
- **food production and processing workers including sales and delivery staff**
- **transport workers operating services not shut down during the Covid-19 response**
- **utilities workers including all power, water, sewerage, chemicals**

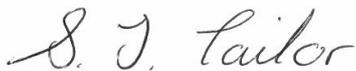


• **postal workers, key telecommunications staff, bank workers**

Thank you to those parents who have contacted school today because they fall into this list of vital workers. We are working with those parents to ensure that where it is essential for pupils to be in school to allow parents to work in these vital roles we can provide provision next week.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this very difficult time. We will be in touch as soon as we are able to provide an update as to the plans for school provision after the Easter holidays.

Yours faithfully



Susan Tailor
Head of School

