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RE: Remote Learning and Key Worker Provision in school

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will no doubt have heard, schools have moved to remote learning right across the country as the nation starts another lockdown.

We will be open for face to face provision for those children whose parents are keyworkers or those students who are classed as vulnerable. These students will come into school and will access the same remote provision as they would do from home. For keyworker and vulnerable students the school day will be 8:45am-2:45pm.

We are requesting that only those children of Key Workers who genuinely and urgently need to use the face-to-face provision take up this provision.

To see if you are classed as a key worker, please check the Government website at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

If you are a keyworker and require this support please follow the link below and complete the online form. We ask that parents complete the form by Thursday each week requesting the days they would like their child to attend for the following week. This will help us with planning and staffing requirements. Once you have completed the form you can send your child in on the days you have requested, you will not receive any official confirmation.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=33_wzdLTyk2HVK3vxmXhiPT5CpVFKvpNshQL393uD51UM1Y2NUE0OFIUME1RQUxMSOpRQU5VRkFaNC4u

If your child is attending school please can we remind you that the same standards of behaviour will be expected whilst in school in a learning environment.

Students will **not** need to attend in school uniform and will need to be provided with a packed lunch as there are currently no catering facilities on site.

Obviously, the last minute notice of this has been difficult to handle but we have endeavoured to ensure that our programme is fully operational. Many of the systems we are using are similar to those used during the last lockdown but we may well find a few glitches with them as the whole country restarts these programmes.

One thing that will be noticeably different this time is the increased amount of live lessons and video content as well as narrated presentations by staff. These are likely to throw up a few technical issues but please expect lessons to match your child's usual timetable each day. All remote learning will be accessed through Microsoft Teams. For information on logging on please go to the school website, and click on "quick links".

Your support of us as a school community is absolutely critical and something we are extremely grateful for, please do get in touch if we can support in anyway, but equally please bear with us whilst we work out a few of the details. We will continue to keep you updated as information is confirmed.

Thank you
Tim Marston

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Marston'.

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