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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to ask you to let me know, as soon as possible, if you need emergency care for your child. To be able to access this then you must be a key worker – as identified on this government list:

<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 think that you fall within the critical categories above you should confirm with your employer that, based on their business continuity arrangements, your specific role is necessary for the continuation of this essential public service.

Your request should be informed by the following key principles:

- 1 If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.
2. Even if a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will only be available for them if it is not possible for them to be cared for at home.
3. We all have a social responsibility to ensure that social distancing principles are observed and this means limiting the number of children and adults who use the school building.
4. Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.

If, taking all the above into consideration, you would like to apply for an emergency place then please email the school with the following information:

- The name of your child
- Your job title and confirmation that you have established the need for your role with your employer
- Your partner's job title and the reason that they are unable to look after your child at home
- Other valid reasons from the guidance that mean your child is eligible for this emergency care
- The days that you expect you will need to use this provision

Yours sincerely,

Tina Clarke

