

Christ Church C of E VC Primary School

'To inspire a love of learning for life so that every child can flourish within a supportive Christian community'



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Monday 23 March 2020

Letter to Key Workers and parents of pupils attending school this week

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Thank you for working with us as a school over the last few days.

We have been working tirelessly to respond to government advice in order to ensure we remain open and **provide emergency care** for pupils whose parents are **critical to the Covid-19 response**.

Please remember that the aim of the partial school closure measures, set out by the Secretary of State for Education, is to reduce the overall population of children moving around local areas as far as possible, in order to further reduce the number of social interactions and thus flatten the upward curve of the COVID-19 outbreak.

You are receiving this letter because you have requested a place for your child as you have told us that **you are a key worker whose role is critical to the national response**.

However, please can we remind you that the government's message is that many parents working in these key sectors will still be able to ensure their child is kept at home. **We therefore ask all parents to consider whether it is absolutely vital that your child attends school as your child is safer at home**. If it is at all possible for your child to be at home, then they should be as this will ensure we play our part in limiting the chance of the virus spreading.

In order to support us in planning staffing numbers and catering provision for the next two weeks, we ask that you complete the emergency care form below and return to us by email or with your child **by 9.00am on Tuesday**.

The catering team are hoping to provide a hot and cold meal option this week but this is under daily review. We will inform you of any changes.

Emergency Care Form

Name of child/children	Year group

Lunches- please indicate which type of lunch your child/ children will be having for the next two weeks. The preferred option is for your child to bring their own packed lunch. School lunches will still be chargeable apart for those pupils in Reception and KS1 and those who are eligible for free school meals.

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w/b Monday 23rd March	School dinner (Meat or vegetarian)	School sandwich	Packed lunch from home	w/b Monday 30th March	School dinner (Meat or vegetarian)	School sandwich	Packed lunch from home
Tuesday 24 th March				Monday 30 th March			
Wednesday 25 th March				Tuesday 1 st April			
Thursday 26 th March				Wednesday 2 nd April			
Friday 27 th March				Thursday 3 rd April			
				Friday 4 th April			

We will continue to provide Breakfast and After- School Club provision for as long as we are able. This provision is being run free of charge during this period. In order to support planning for supervision and catering, please indicate below the days on which your child/children would require this service. **You do not need to book online.** As with school attendance, **please only use this service if you have no other alternative for emergency care.**

w/b Monday 23rd March	Breakfast Club space required	After school club place required	w/b Monday 30th March	Breakfast Club space required	After School Club place required
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We will need to review our provision on a daily basis moving forward. We are currently awaiting information from the Local Authority in terms of provision for the Easter holidays and will update you accordingly.

Please continue to review your requirement for a place in school in light of the government's information- we do ask that you only send your child in if they absolutely need to attend.

Thank you once again for your understanding at this time.



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