



KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, please let us thank all the parents and families who have been so supportive to the school and the staff at this time – given this unprecedented situation your support is even more welcome and appreciated than usual.

As you will be aware guidance on social distancing has been updated and all are expected to stay at home unless they are in an essential occupation.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/874742/Full_guidance_on_staying_at_home_and_away_from_others_1_.pdf

Keston still has a high number of parents who have requested a place at the school during this period, in fact far more than any other local school including those who have a substantially higher intake than us.

While we wish to provide a service to key workers who need to be in their place of work, we also need to think of the health of the children who are coming in, the staff in school and their families. Therefore, from tomorrow only families with two key workers who both need to be in their place of work, or single parents who are key workers, will be able to access childcare. We **must** follow advice and leave our homes only if absolutely necessary.

In the coming days parents who are accessing school care may be asked to send their children to an alternative local provision in order to ensure the health and safety of a greater number of school staff in the local area.

If you have filled in a request form, and following this email childcare is not now essential, please email the school office (office@keston.croydon.sch.uk) to enable us to adjust our staffing levels.

The office will be manned each day from 8.30 – 9.30am and calls **may be** answered at this time. You will be able to leave messages which we will get to as soon as possible. The school office email will be monitored throughout the day and is the best way of contacting us.

As always, the safety of the children and members of our community are paramount.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Green
Head of School

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Executive Head

