



KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, the government announced yesterday that in order to help contain the community transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19), some restrictions to primary education settings are required in certain areas of the country. I am sorry to tell you that schools in Croydon are closed to the majority of children until Monday 18th January.

Keston will only be open from Tuesday 5th January, to children of critical workers and children who fall into certain categories. If your child has an EHCP, they may come into school as usual, however this offer does not include siblings for whom you will need to make other arrangements.

It is very important that we minimise the number of children and staff in school to slow transmission of the virus. Therefore, when making the decision about whether to send your child in to school please think very carefully about their health, the health of the staff and also of the other families who will be using the school facility.

So that we can organise staffing we now need to identify which children will be taking up this offer. Please check if you are eligible here:

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

Should you need to send your child/children into school please complete the attached form and return it by email (office@keston.croydon.sch.uk) or email the school office directly by **9am on Monday 4th January**. We will try to respond by 1pm on Monday to your requests – please do not phone the school office but wait to hear from us.

We will send details to all families on Monday 4th January about Remote Learning. We appreciate this is a difficult time for all families and as a school community we will do all we can to support you. We hope that 2021 is a better year for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Helen Green
Head of School

Claire Murphy
Executive Head

