



# KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to say thank you for all of the messages of support and thanks sent over the last week. As a team, we are working hard on logistics and organisation, both in and out of school. It is wonderful to know we have the support of the parents and appreciate everyone's kindness and patience as we further develop our remote learning provision.

## Critical Worker Children

As time moves forward and families understand that home learning will be in place at least until February half term, the number of applications we are receiving for critical worker places is growing.

Whilst we will continue to do everything we can to accommodate families and support our community Key Workers, it is vital that we try to keep numbers at a manageable level – this is the only way the school can remain a safe place for the staff and the children who need to be in.

Please can we ask that all critical workers consider the following:

- If you are a one critical worker family - is a place in school vital in order for you carry out your critical worker job?
- Do you have an alternative you can consider?

The latest Government and Croydon's advice is very clear - **the safest place for your child is at home and if they can be there, they should be.** We need to keep everyone safe by reducing the number of people both in and around the school.

We know that remote learning is difficult for everyone and it may make it difficult for parents to do their own work, but please help and support us by doing what you can to keep your child at home.

We are here if you need us and will continue to be open to vulnerable children and those children of critical workers who really cannot keep their children at home. If your child is currently attending school and you now wish to keep them at home, please do email the office:

[office@keston.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:office@keston.croydon.sch.uk) to let us know not to expect them.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

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