



KESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Nursery Parents/Carers,

You may have noted from changes in the recent public information that the government guidance in relation to the opening of nurseries in school has been amended.

At the start of this term, the guidance stated that schools with nurseries could open or alternatively nursery classes could be treated in the same manner as other classes in the school (i.e. only open for those who are vulnerable or are critical worker children). This guidance was amended last week to allow for the opening of all nurseries, including those in school.

However, as with all the guidance, we have worked to fully risk assess and examine the safety and feasibility of opening nursery classes, both as a Trust school and as a member of the local Coulsdon schools group. Having looked carefully at the current high Covid-19 transmission rate in Croydon, all aspects of our risk assessment and possible staffing issues, as well as the need to maintain remote learning, we have taken the decision that at present we do not feel confident in treating the nursery as a separate entity from the school as a whole. Therefore, for now the nursery will only remain open to critical worker and vulnerable children.

We will of course continue to monitor the situation in the local area and keep this decision under review. The health and safety of our families and staff will always be our priority when making any decisions to bring large numbers of children back into the school environment.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Green
Head of School

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Executive Head