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Dear Parents,

**[Coronavirus – COVID-19 - Key Workers - Guidance \(here\)](#)**

We understand that one parent may fall into the category of Key Workers who are critical to the COVID-19 response and therefore may be considering sending their child/ children into school. However, please may I draw your attentions to the the lines:

- **'any child who can safely be cared for at home should be' and**
- **the government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend.**

Furthermore, the key principles state

- **'if it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be' ...and**
- **'parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults'**

As per my previous correspondence, we are committed to opening the school for key workers who have no other options of child care whilst fulfilling their work duties; the fewer children and adults in the school will reduce the risk of transmission and therefore hopefully ensuring the schools remains open for as long as possible for those who absolutely need this option.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will email later will further details of home learning packs.

With kind regards,

Mrs Bilner  
Headteacher