



PINFOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents and carers,

You will no doubt be aware of the government's decision last night to put in place enforced school closures from Friday 20th March at 3.30pm with the exception of children of key workers and some vulnerable pupils. We are unable to give a date when schools will fully reopen. This announcement has also included a statement that exams will not take place in May and June. I am very aware of the significance of this announcement and we await details of how students will receive their grades.

This is an incredibly difficult time for us all and I will provide more detailed information as we receive it from Lancashire County Council later today. They are working on a whole county strategy as I type.

As an immediate priority, it is essential we capture information in the fields of employment of our parents / carers in order for us to identify 'key worker' families so we can make contact regarding childcare provision. At the moment, Lancashire have agreed that the following professions are included in the Key Worker group:

- School staff
- All staff who support health services
- Social care
- Delivery drivers
- Emergency services

Your child will also be offered a place if they are vulnerable. Children classed as vulnerable are :

- Under social care
- Have an EHCP
- Have free school meals
- Have an open CAF
- CFW (military and government)

Equally we need to know if your child is eligible to attend school, will you be making use of the childcare provision? If yes please tell us the days. If you have a second adult at home who can provide childcare, we advocate they stay at home. Once we have this information we can plan a rota for our staff and think about free school meal provision. Our current hot dinner provider will be shut on Monday 23rd March 2020.

Please be aware that the school will be open for **childcare not education**.

At the moment we can open from 7.45am-3.25pm, this will change over the Easter break.

To clarify please tell staff at the end of the day or phone in stating:

- 1) your profession- 1st adult in home
- 2) your profession- 2nd adult in home
- 3) your profession- 3rd adult in home
- 4) if your children qualify for attendance at school please tell us if you will be taking up the offer of childcare
- 5) days needed

Please be aware the situation may change on a daily basis. Please look at our website on the 'Keeping safe' page for updates.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Tjaveondja