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Dear Families,

Re: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Further to my letter yesterday, regarding the closure of schools in the UK until further notice, we are looking to identify those families who will fall into the category of key workers and require childcare facilities from Monday. We are still awaiting final guidance as to those occupations which will be counted as key workers, but at this point in time are including the following:

- NHS workers
- Emergency services workers
- Teachers and key support staff in schools
- Delivery drivers

Please click the following link to advise us that as a family you fall into one of the above categories, or to advise us of any occupation you feel should be included, by 10am on Friday. This will enable us to plan what the coming weeks will look like for you and then be able to send further information as to timings of the day and the sorts of activities we would be able to provide.

Link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/9D26FS7</u>

We will be contacting the families of those children who have also been identified by the Government as needing to remain in school.

This summer's GCSE, A Level and other public exams will not go ahead as planned. Our students have worked so hard preparing for their exams and the uncertainty about what arrangements the government will put in place will no doubt cause a great deal of anxiety. The government says it will work with schools to ensure students get the qualifications that they need. We hope that as more details are released we will be able to provide more clarity around this.

I will write to all families again either later today or tomorrow once we have received further information from the Local Authority as to the arrangements going forward, to include provision for children eligible for free school meals. We will also communicate the plan with regards to work being set online.

Thank you all for working with us and your continued support at this time.

Best regards,

K. Heard

Mrs K Heard Headteacher











