

Friday 20th March 2020

## **Dear Parents**

As many of you will now be aware, although Pre-schools and schools have closed today for an indefinite time period, the children of key workers are still entitled to be cared for on a daily weekday basis within an educational setting. The list of people defined by the Government as key workers are:

- Health and social care
- Education and childcare
- Key public services
- Local and national government
- Food and other necessary goods
- Public safety and national secretary
- Transport
- Utilities, communication and financial services

In addition, vulnerable children are also entitled to childcare and these include:

- Children who are supported by social care
- Children with safeguarding and welfare needs, including children in need plans, children on child protection plans, 'looked after' children, young carers, disabled children and children with EHC (Education, Health and Care) plans.

Please can you email me by 3 pm on Saturday (21/03/2020) at the latest, if you and your family fit into one of the above categories, unless you have already spoken with me. If you wish to chat with me to clarify anything in this email, then please email me with your contact details and I will then give you a call. I will then need to communicate any information to the local authority as soon as possible for plans to be put into place.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

I hope that you all have a good weekend and please stay safe and well.

Best wishes

Linda