

# St. Cedd's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you again for your patience during this extraordinary and challenging time for us all.

The Vine Trust schools have decided to come together to give extra clarity and consistency around the critical worker list. The Government's definition of a 'critical worker' and a 'vulnerable child' is extensive and, unless we prioritise, we may not be able to support families and workers that require this help the most.

We have put together a tiered system from 1 to 4 and have prioritised our staff to tier 1. Although this is an agreed tiered system, we will make decisions case by case in our schools based on our staffing capacity and this may change on a day to day basis.

We must emphasise that the government guidance states that **'if your work is critical to the Covid-19 response, or you work in one of the critical sectors AND you cannot keep your child safe at home then your children will be prioritized for educational provision. Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.'**

Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4
Doctors	Health and social care	Justice system workers	Religious staff
Nurses	Food sale	Air, water and road workers	Journalists
Midwives	Those involved in the sale and delivery of veterinary medicines	Freight transport workers operating through COVID-19 responses	Broadcasters
Paramedics	Oil, gas, electricity and water workers	Telecommunications for critical services	Local and national Government administrators
Social workers	Waste disposal sector	Specialist education professionals	Rail passenger workers
Care workers	National crime agency	Civil nuclear and chemical workers	Essential financial services
Machine workers producing medicines	Boarder security	Network operations	Information technology and data infrastructure as part of the COVID-19 response
Support and specialist staff as part of medial administrative support	Prison and probation staff	Payment providers	Postal workers
Nursery staff			
School staff			
Social workers			
Food distributors			

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Food processors Food delivery drivers Police and support staff MoD Contractor and armed forced personnel Fire and rescue Workers responsible for management of deceased	National security	Charity workers providing COVID-19 relief	
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Please complete the information below and return this to school by 2pm today so that our staff can plan. We will be asking for contact details including full name and telephone number of your supervisor so we can confirm that your active role is a necessity in these challenging circumstances. We may also need to get in touch with you via telephone to gain some extra clarification.

**Your child's/children's names:**

**Year groups:**

**Key worker category you fit into:**

**Your job role/role:**

**Supervisors name and contact details:**

**Your spouse's/partner's role**

**Will you need supervision for your child next week?: Yes/No?**

**If No will you potentially need supervision in future weeks?:**

**Days that supervision will be needed next week (23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> March):**

**Times you would need supervision each day (Please try to be as specific as possible):**

**Any other information you feel we need to know:**

We understand many of you are shift workers but please try your best to let us know what supervision you will need next week including times needed. We will be working on a week by week basis.

There is further information and guidance regarding what constitutes a key worker and the closure schools.

This can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

I would urge you to read this carefully before responding to this email.

The key points however are summarised below.

- Schools are now closed and, where possible, children should stay at home.

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- Schools will remain open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children where they can
- Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. **Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be. If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.**
- Children with at least one parent or carer who are identified as critical workers by the government can send their children to school **if required.**
- It is important to underline that schools, remain safe places for children. The fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.

I understand that the guidance will take some time to read. We would ask everyone to consider the above carefully and for **all to answer the questions below even if you responded yesterday. Please respond where possible by 2pm today.** Following conversations with other professionals we need to know some more details so staff can be organized next week.

Thank you for your support. **Again, I would like to urge that where at all possible children should stay at home to prevent the spread of the virus anymore. In order for us to remain open for our critical workers I also have to ensure staff remain fit and healthy so would ask you to consider this carefully before responding.**

Further details about arrangements for next week including times and expectations will be sent later today.

Yours sincerely,

Lyndsey Wood

Acting Headteacher

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