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Dear Parents/Carers,

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Regarding the Government's announcement yesterday, we aim to provide some clarity around expectation of provision at school.

In order to comply with the social distancing directive, we will provide a skeleton staff for as long as we are able, to care **for children where all other options for child care has been exhausted and school care is the only option**. To limit contact and the risk of spreading the virus, it is anticipated that staffing will be limited to two members of staff only per day. If children are attending because they have an EHCP, schools are not expected to provide 1:1 support.

Schools have been advised that if sufficient staff are not available, schools cannot be expected to maintain this provision, but we will endeavour to do this for as long as possible. Therefore, at this time our care provision will be 9am to 3pm subject to change. We need to emphasise that child care will be provided not education. However, suitable activities will be organised. Children are welcome to bring in the work or access the online work that has been provided to all children. To limit cross-contamination, please do not send in any electronic devices or toys/games from home.

As of 12 noon the key worker group has not been defined and we must wait for this information before responding to all of the queries we have received. If your job is not on the list your child will not be eligible for care.

We are being asked to conform to social distancing measures. Therefore, your child can only be at school during school hours on the days when you are at work.

To ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children and staff at these unprecedented times, it is imperative that you explain to your child that attending this provision is dependent on meeting school's expectations of behaviour. Your child must not attend if they are displaying any of the symptoms of Covid-19 and must still self-isolate.

We understand that Caterlink will provide packed lunches for free school meal children and those who order. That is all we know at the moment and more information will be provided. Please provide a packed for lunch on Monday if your child is eligible to come.

Kind regards, Mrs Davis