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Dear Parents / Carers,

Last night Boris Johnson announced that we would be going into another national lockdown and at this time schools would only open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children. This is similar to the original lockdown in March 2020. This current lockdown is due to run up until February Half Term. We do not know what will happen after this date.

School is closed today to allow us to organise for this change. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. However, we find out about the updates to schools at the same time as you do with the announcements on TV. As you can see we have had very little notice of this change.

Our Magic Kingdom Nursery will be open as normal tomorrow.

CHILDREN OF CRITICAL WORKERS AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN

School will open again tomorrow but **only to children of critical workers and vulnerable children.** You will see the lists below of these categories.

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM PER CHILD

If you are a critical worker then please <u>complete the critical worker form</u> by 1pm today. Please ensure you meet the criteria.

If your child is classed as vulnerable then please <u>complete the vulnerable child form</u> by 1pm today.

A member of the office team will contact you later today to confirm your child can attend school.

If you are not a critical worker and your child is not vulnerable you **do not** need to to complete either of the above forms.

IF YOUR CHILD FALLS UNDER BOTH CATEGORIES PLEASE ONLY COMPLETE ONE OF THE TWO FORMS

Once we know how many children we have attending school we will be able to organise the staffing and provision for these children.

If you can keep your child(ren) at home then this is safer for them.

HOME LEARNING

Until the end of this week, please direct your children to the following websites for their home learning.

- Oak National Academy https://www.thenational.academy/
- TT Rockstars
- Numbots
- Phonics https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP FbjYUP UtldV2K -niWw

In the meantime the teachers will be working hard to change their current planning into resources that can be shared at home. They will also be creating explanation videos to go alongside the work. In addition to this there will be 2 live sessions a day with a member of staff from your child's year group to explain the work and to answer any questions the children may have.

Stay safe,

Mr Erskine Principal









Vulnerable children and young people

Vulnerable children and young people include those who:

- are assessed as being in need under section 17 of the Children Act 1989, including children and young people who have a child in need plan, a child protection plan or who are a looked-after child
- have an education, health and care (EHC) plan
- have been identified as otherwise vulnerable by educational providers or local authorities (including children's social care services), and who could therefore benefit from continued full-time attendance, this might include:
 - children and young people on the edge of receiving support from children's social care services or in the process of being referred to children's services
 - o adopted children or children on a special guardianship order
 - those at risk of becoming NEET ('not in employment, education or training')
 - those living in temporary accommodation
 - those who are young carers
 - those who may have difficulty engaging with remote education at home (for example due to a lack of devices or quiet space to study)
 - o care leavers
 - others at the provider and local authority's discretion including pupils and students who need to attend to receive support or manage risks to their mental health

Critical workers

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and EU transition response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following sections.

Health and social care

This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response to deliver this approach

Key public services

This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased
- journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting

Local and national government

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of:

- the coronavirus (COVID-19) response, and the delivery of and response to EU transition
- essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export (including animal products, animals, plants and food), including in government agencies and arms length bodies

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food:

- production
- processing
- distribution
- sale and delivery
- as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)

Public safety and national security

This includes:

- police and support staff
- Ministry of Defence civilians
- contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and EU transition)
- fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)
- National Crime Agency staff
- those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas

Transport and border

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and EU transition, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass and those constructing or supporting the operation of critical transport and border infrastructure through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes:

- staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)
- the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response
- key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)
- postal services and delivery
- payments providers
- waste disposal sectors