Benwick Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

As I am sure you are aware, yesterday the Government announced that all schools will be closed from Monday 23rd of March until further notice. This means that for the vast majority of our children, Friday will be their last day in school for what could be a considerable period of time.

Schools have been asked to provide care for children with Education Health Care Plans and Children who have a contact Social Worker for the remainder of this term and after the Easter holidays if the situation is ongoing. All other children will need to stay at home, so we ask that you do not send your child into school from Monday onwards.

In order to enable <u>key workers</u> to remain at work during this period of need their children may be catered for in schools. **This is only the case where <u>both</u> parents are key workers or there is only one person with parental responsibility who is also a key worker.**

Key Workers include:

- NHS staff
- Teachers and support staff in school
- Police and community support officers
- Frontline civilian police staff
- Prison officers and staff
- Probation officers and trainee prob officers
- LA officers and LA/ NHS social workers
- Uniformed staff in fire and rescue services
- Armed forces personnel and some civilian MOD personnel (ie clinical staff, MOD police, uniformed fire and defence) and some discharged personnel
- Highway agency traffic staff
- LA environmental health officers/practitioners
- Care workers
- Food/supermarket drivers and other workers

Please complete the attached proforma and return to the school office **tomorrow morning**, or phone the school tomorrow morning before 10am with the required information should you meet the criteria and have no other child care options. It is vital that we know how many children to expect in school so that we can arrange staffing and meals until the official end of term.

I wish to thank all our school staff who have helped in recent days to keep the school open, and who will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. I would also like to thank you for your continued support and understanding during this period.

Kindest Regards,

Clare Talbot

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I am a Key Worker in the following service (please tick as a	appropriate):	
I am in Full time/Part time employment:		
Which days do you work?		
Do you have a young or vulnerable children/young		
people at home you are a carer for? Y/N		
If yes are you able to make alternative arrangements which do not involve asking Grandparents or other vulnerable people to support? Y/N		