



Education of key workers' children during closure

Overnight, government advice has become a little clearer. If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.

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.

Our school will open on Monday only for those children who absolutely need to attend. These are children who are identified as vulnerable (these parents will receive a separate communication from us today) and children whose parents are critical to the Covid-19 response and cannot be safely cared for at home.

Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be. Remember that children should not be looked after by vulnerable members of the community, such as elderly relatives.

If you think you qualify, you should read the full government guidance for schools, along with clear definitions of key workers, here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision?fbclid=IwAR2GTZ7IMEI-3GA-5YpoB236dWOntg4AFsbjVjanLo_mD_oJ2iiouo8yOWk

The key worker list includes:

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

The document above gives specific examples.

If this guidance does not apply to you, and you are able to care for your child at home, you do not need to do anything.

If you feel you do qualify and require childcare, please click on the link below and complete the quick survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RCK8GNY>

Please note: if your family is currently unwell and isolating, please answer the questions for what will apply when isolation is over.

A swift response would be greatly appreciated.

School will then decide which children can be offered places, in line with staffing ratios and capacity, and will communicate this as quickly as possible.

Many thanks for your support with this,

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