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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for your patience and support today as we finalised our planning school opening tomorrow Wednesday 5th January for our key worker and vulnerable children. We must stress that school can only provide support as long as we have enough staff well enough to do so. If your child is attending school because you are a key worker, you **MUST** still have back up plans in case school has to shut due to being short staffed.

The Government have asked the school to remain open and provide emergency education provision for keyworkers' children and those identified as 'vulnerable'. Your child has been identified as someone who meets the criteria as set by the Government. **Please be advised that this offer is only to be accepted if absolutely necessary. It is supportive not compulsory.**

Pick up and drop off:

For at least the next six weeks, subject to staff health, we are planning to provide provision for our key worker and vulnerable children in school based on the remote learning provided by class teachers from 8:50am-3:15pm. Please use the bottom playground to drop off and pick up as normal at 8:50 and 3:15pm. Staff will be there to meet the children and take them to their allocated classroom and bubble group. If someone different to yourselves is collecting the child we will need notification and preferably a photo or agreed password.

Bubbles:

YR children will be based in the reception classroom. Key Stage 1 children will be based in Y1 classroom and Key Stage 2 children in Y3 classroom. The children will remain in these bubble groups for the duration of lockdown. Staff will be encouraging social distancing within the bubbles and be maintaining the robust and rigorous hygiene measures detailed in our risk assessment. (See website).

Remote learning:

The school will have posted weekly online learning for all children. When your children attend school they will be covering the same online learning as their peers with the support of the staff in their bubble group. The afternoons will be focussed on PE, outdoor learning and topic based activities.

Uniform etc:

Please send your child in school wearing forest school uniform or PE kit - joggers and plenty of layers as windows will be open. Please ensure your child has a healthy snack and a named water bottle in school every day.

Lunch:

Lunch will be as normal for your child, i.e. if they have a packed lunch, please bring it with them, or if you wish your child to have a school meal these will be provided free of charge.

Menu this week:

Wednesday: Roast pork, Quorn fillets or cheese roll

Thursday: Sausages, jacket potato and cheese or ham baguette

Friday: Pizza, battered fish or egg roll

We will be sending out the menu choices for next week in due course.

Yours sincerely

Adele McMurrough

Headteacher

