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Dear Parent/Carer,

The Government have now published their guidance on key workers and other children for which school will remain open from next Monday. Details of this can be found on our webpage <https://www.cidarieducation.co.uk/covid>.

If you believe you may be a key worker please complete the online form today available here https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeSyB-lyN4LPinJ7IZ47qkh9nnHeaSe9ZPF9KLR2cnftSxSkQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Many parents working in these key areas may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. And every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.

Please, therefore, follow these key principles:

- **If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be kept at home.**
- If a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them.
- Parents should not rely for childcare upon those who are advised to be in the stringent social distancing category such as grandparents, friends, or family members with underlying conditions.
- Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should follow the same social distancing rules as adults.
- Residential special schools, boarding schools and special settings are going to continue to care for children wherever possible.
- **If your work is critical to the COVID-19 response, or you work in one of the critical sectors, and you cannot keep your child safe at home, then your children will be prioritised for education provision.**

If your children do not fall into one of the categories for which school is open, we will work to support your child and family as much as possible over the coming weeks and we will keep you informed of government guidance relating to education and schools. We will be sending home further details of our home learning arrangements today, along with advice on how to continue your child's learning, in any capacity during this time.

I have attached a list of key questions and answers. If you have further queries please do not hesitate to email the school on beadmin@cidari.co.uk. School will try to respond as soon as we can, but we ask for your patience at this time, as we are dealing with an increasingly large number of requests and our Office staff are only a team of four.

Even if schools fully close, we are still here for you, we are available, and we will be in contact with you and your child via Google Classroom (KS2) or Class Dojo (EYFS and KS1).

Together, we will move forward fulfilling our mission that 'For with God, nothing is impossible' and we will continue to share the values that make our school a special place, even though we will not be able to be together everyday at school.

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Take care and God bless.

Mrs D Rusling
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