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Dear Parents

CORONA VIRUS UPDATE 7

As we are in the first week of school closure, I thought that now would be a good opportunity to share with you how the reduced school staff community are looking after children of the key workers **whose contribution is critical to the response to corona virus.**

Numbers have been low as all parents have taken notice of the weekend warnings, '**...where at all possible children should stay at home...**' Many of our key worker parents have determined to only send their children into school when they are working their current hours and there is literally nobody to care for their children during the hours of the school day- but I know that things may well change.

As you know, children on free school meals have packed lunches available to be collected from the school foyer.

We are operating a **skeletal staffing** as recommended and colleagues who are now self-isolating all have to be taken account of as we adapt and readapt.

School's provision is very different for the children who are still attending and the National Curriculum has been suspended.

On behalf of everybody in our school community, I hope that you and your families can stay safe and well through close observation of government guidance.

Yours sincerely,

Kieran Loftus Headteacher