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Dear Parent/Guardian

If you believe that you qualify for your child to access critical worker / vulnerable child provision during this period please can you read the information below and complete the forms.

<u>Vulnerable children</u> include children who are **supported by social care**, those with **safeguarding and welfare needs**, including **child in need plans**, on **child protection plans**, **'looked after' children**, **young carers**, **disabled children** and those with **education**, **health and care (EHC) plans**.

Parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined below.

The Government has provided a list of key principles; please, therefore, follow these key principles.

If your work is critical to the COVID-19 response, or you work in one of the critical sectors listed below, and you cannot keep your child safe at home then your children will be prioritised for education provision:

Health and social care- This includes but is not limited to doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributers of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare- This includes nursery and teaching staff, social workers and those specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach.

Key public services- This includes those essential to the running of the justice system, religious staff, charities and workers delivering key frontline services, those responsible for the management of the deceased, and journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting.

Local and national government- This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the COVID-19 response or delivering essential public services such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arms-length bodies.

Food and other necessary goods- This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines).

Public safety and national security- This includes police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic), fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff, those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas.

Transport- This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services- This includes staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure), the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage), information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response, as well as key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services), postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.

We have a Key Worker Information Sheet for you to complete if you require childcare provision. Please note that school will continue to open at the staggered start and end times, if we can maintain a safe environment for all, which are as follows:

Nursery 8.30 – 3.10 or 8.30 – 11.30 or 12.10 – 3.10 Reception 8.50 – 3.00 Year 1, Year 3 & Year 5 – 8.40 – 2.50 Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6 – 8.50 – 3.00

If staffing levels reduce significantly due to staff self-isolation/staff illness, we will be unable to provide this.

There will be no breakfast or after school provision.

We will require a copy of your ID, a letter from your employer to confirm your Key Worker status and confirmation of the hours that you work. This is required for both parents and must be returned to school so that we can ascertain if you qualify for a critical worker / vulnerable child place in school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Baines Headteacher