



Francis Askew Primary School

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5th January 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

As part of the announcement yesterday regarding the new national lockdown, the decision was taken that schools will be closed to all pupils except for children of critical workers and vulnerable pupils and that learning will be delivered remotely.

All the staff and I are hugely disappointed that we will not be able to welcome all pupils back face to face this term but we want to reassure you that we remain committed to providing support, care and the best possible education to our children during this difficult time.

Remote Education

The school will still provide the Spring Term curriculum as planned from tomorrow so that your children do not miss out on the key learning and skills they need. We realise that learning at home can be a difficult time for children and parents and we will do all we can to support with this. Work will be planned and set by your child's teacher based on ongoing assessments of their work and we will continue to give help and feedback to children on the work they complete.

Details of how to access home learning are on our school website under the 'Home Learning' section (<https://francisaskewprimary.org>). Foundation children and year 1 children will be using the platform of Tapestry, year 2 to year 6 children will be using TEAMS. I know that many of you are already familiar with these platforms and have used them really successfully in the past. Your child's teacher will be in touch over the next few days to support you with accessing these online platforms.

Children of Critical Workers and Vulnerable Pupils

The school will **open tomorrow, Wed 6th Jan**, for children of critical workers who are unable to attend work if their children are not in school. It will also open to children classed as vulnerable. **I would urge eligible parents to send their children to school.**

A full list of the **criteria for critical workers** is attached to this letter.

Please contact the school by 1pm today by emailing admin@francisaskewprimary.org and let us know if you require a place for your child because you or your partner is a critical worker. Please state your occupation. We may need to ask for verification of your employment.



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Free School Meals

The school will continue to provide support for pupils eligible for free school meals. Details and arrangements for this will be sent out separately.

Keeping in contact

School staff will be in regular contact with parents and children so we can check in and discuss any issues or concerns that children might be having about learning or their emotional wellbeing. This is a difficult time for everybody and our school will continue to do all we can to give our children and families the support they need.

If you have any concerns about your child during this lockdown period, please contact admin@francisaskewprimary.org and your email will be forwarded to the appropriate person. For any concerns regarding your family's welfare please contact our Welfare Officer, Michelle Heeley, on 07984763476.

I am so proud of our children. They settled quickly back into school following the last period of lockdown and showed remarkable resilience during this difficult time. Some may find this new lockdown period more difficult than others but we are here to help and support throughout. The staff and I cannot wait to welcome our children back as soon as we are able to do so. In the meantime, please stay safe and we will all get through this together.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Laura Martin

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Vulnerable children and children of critical workers who can attend school and college

During the period of national lockdown, schools and colleges should only allow vulnerable children and the children of critical workers to attend. Children with at least one parent or carer who is listed as a critical worker are eligible for a school place. It is not necessary for both parents to be critical workers.

The critical worker list has been updated to include new workforces whose work is critical following the end of the EU transition period. It is important these people are also identified as critical workers and their children can attend the education setting. This change will see a small increase in the overall number of critical workers.

Please only request a place in school if you have no other option for child care during the school day.

Critical workers

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and EU transition response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following sections.

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 distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (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
- 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 coronavirus (COVID-19) response, and the delivery of and response to EU transition
- essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export (including animal products, animals, plants and food), 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 coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and EU transition)
- 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 and border

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and EU transition, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass and those constructing or supporting the operation of critical transport and border infrastructure 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 coronavirus (COVID-19) response
- 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



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- payments providers
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