



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

KDS/JSS

22 March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your continued support through what is a fast developing situation.

Please do try to keep your children at home and stop them from gathering. Whilst I accept this is hard, you must be socially responsible. I fear that some families are not taking the situation seriously enough. If people continue to ignore the rules I have no doubt much stricter restrictions will be brought in by the Government as we need to protect our critical workers, especially the NHS staff.

Places for critical workers:

Emails have now been sent out to parents if your child has secured a place at school for their child next week. If your child no longer needs the place, or for fewer days than originally planned, then please contact us immediately to free this place up for others in need. **If you have not received an email you must not send your child into school as they will not be admitted and will be sent away.** We will be operating on site with skeletal staffing and many staff will be working remotely, maintaining contact regularly with children working from home. Staff will be on site on a rotational basis and therefore staffing may not be the same as your child has in school.

On 21 March, The Secretary of State for Education, Gavin Williamson, stated: **'You should only send your child to school on Monday if you have to, because your work is critical to our COVID-19 response. If you are able to keep your child at home, you should.'** This includes those children with an EHCP and the vulnerable. Therefore I urge all parents, that if their child can stay at home safely under the supervision of an older sibling or by themselves, please do so. This will stop the virus from spreading; please act responsibly.

Free School Meal Food Parcels

- These will be distributed tomorrow morning between 9am and 11am from the Shakespeare Campus.
- If your child is currently NOT in receipt of Free School Meals you are not eligible for these parcels and you will not receive one. Whilst I fully accept we have low income families, we can only provide to those that legitimately meet the criteria as we do not have the resources to provide for all; I am sorry. If you feel you qualify for Free School Meals please contact karen.gibson@crestwood.hants.sch.uk so we can check.

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- If you are collecting for someone else you will need to provide proof of this, as we will not be issuing the parcel without this.
- We will be observing social distancing so please try to stagger the time you arrive and be prepared to wait as we process requests.
- Please remember we are feeding the child not the family, the allowance is £12 per week, per child.

With best wishes
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Head Teacher

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