



# Spalding Parish Church of England Day School



4<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## SPCEDS Restricted Provision

I hope this letter finds you all well. As you will no doubt be aware all at Spalding Parish have worked tirelessly since March 2020 to ensure that education has not stopped for our pupils, despite facing the current pandemic head on. We have had periods of restricted provision for Critical Worker pupils, a wider opening for certain Year Groups and a full reopening in September at the beginning of the current academic year. However, as per the announcement by the Prime Minister this evening, as of Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January Spalding Parish CE Day school will only be open to the following groups of pupils until further notice.

These groups are:

-  **Children of critical workers** e.g. NHS, Emergency and Prison services, teachers, social care, delivery services, HM Forces where **both** parents are key workers unless sole parenting. In instances where one parent is a key worker cases will be considered on a case by case basis;
-  **Vulnerable children** including children Educational Health Care Plans (EHCPs) and/or supported by social care.

## Critical Workers

Earlier today we sent a letter out regarding Critical Worker status including a link to a survey to be completed if you believe your child is eligible for a Critical Worker place. We are aware that some critical worker parents may already have childcare arrangements in place or may only need support for part of a week. The Government offer is exactly that, an offer and parents/carers do have the right to make alternative arrangements.

Confirmation of places for Critical Worker places will be sent via a separate email. The current plan for provision is that the school day will run from 8.50pm to 3.20pm however further details will follow once confirmed following the timing of tonight's announcement. As I stated in my letter earlier today. Applying for a place does not mean a place is guaranteed as this is based on the criteria in the Critical Worker document published by the Government. **Please do not bring your child to school if you have not received a confirmation email.** If you have not yet completed the survey this can be undertaken until 10am tomorrow. Confirmations for any applications not responded to this evening will be undertaken tomorrow.



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## Vulnerable Pupils

If your child has an EHCP, you will already have been able to apply for a school place via the survey. We have also started to contact the parents/carers of other vulnerable pupils who are eligible to attend. If you have not already been contacted, contact will be made during the day tomorrow.

## Remote Learning

Remote learning will be accessible to all pupils from tomorrow morning via Microsoft Teams where the lessons planned for Tuesday can be accessed. During the day tomorrow you will receive a timetable from your child's class teacher confirming timings of live lessons from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January moving forwards.

## Current Guidance

Once again, we would continue to remind all pupils (and adults visiting the site) to follow the current guidance in place as a result of the National Lockdown. New guidance in relation to this has been released this evening and can be found here:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/949536/National\\_lockdown\\_guidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/949536/National_lockdown_guidance.pdf)

We would ask parents/carers to continue to be vigilant with regard to their child's health and to follow the PHE and NHS advice if they are concerned that they are displaying the symptoms of coronavirus.

Thank you for your continued support at this challenging time. We know this is a worrying time and wish all of our pupils and families well. If you do have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards,



Diane Mulley  
Head Teacher