

11th January 2021

Dear Keyworkers

As we enter the second week of this lockdown as a school, we wanted to share and clarify some information ensuring that messages and procedures are followed.

During this current lockdown schools are only open to those children identified as vulnerable or to those whose parent/carer are identified as a critical worker.

Guidance issued by the DfE on Friday evening clear states:

Children with at least one parent or carer who is a critical worker can go to school or college if required, but parents and carers should keep their children at home if they can.

We are therefore reminding you that you should only access this in-school provision when you are at work and you do not have another parent/carer who can stay at home with your child.

We are reinforcing this message because we do have some bubbles that are being accessed by at least 50% of the children daily.

The Prime Minister has clearly stated that schools are closed to the majority of children in an attempt to reduce transmission within communities.

On the days that you are sending your child to school can we ask that you:

- Drop them off between 8.00am and 8.30am
- Collect them **as soon as you finish work** but no later than 4.00pm

Booking

You **MUST** book you child in using the link below or the tab on the school website.

<https://www.birklandsschool.co.uk/keyworker>

Dress Code:

The children can come into school either in their school uniform or warm, comfortable clothing.

PE sessions will be on a Tuesday and Thursday.

Belongings:

Belongings brought into school must be kept to a minimum. Children should only be bringing in what they need for that day.

Remote Learning

When in school you child will be doing their educational learning.

There is no expectation that the days they are in that they also do the remote learning set.

If you require any further clarification, please do get in touch.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C.A. Smith', written in a cursive style.

Mrs C.A. Smith (Head of School)