

26th January 2021

Dear Keyworkers

I understand that my earlier letter has caused a bit of a stir and some of you have taken to social media to rant about us.

I would like to make it very clear we have **NOT** declined any key-worker child a place during this lockdown. And never would.

The main point of my letter was to remind you of the Governments' instructions that key-worker provision should only be accessed when you are at work and if you do not have any other childcare.

The country is in lockdown for a reason and everyone should be following the rules around this.

My main priority is keeping our staff, our children and our community as safe as possible. It is therefore disheartening for staff when they hear children talk about sleepovers and parties that are happening within the community during this current lockdown.

With regards to us having a high number of vulnerable children in school let me make it clear that as with the key-worker guidance this particular category has been widened too. If you wish to discuss this guidance please feel free to contact me.

It is a stressful time for the whole country and everyone is feeling the impact of this lockdown much more than previous ones. For many it has been nearly a year since they have seen family and other loved ones properly.

As a school, we acknowledge that remote learning is not something parents ever envisaged having to do.

We feel we are providing as much support as possible to all of you. If you feel there are further things we can do then please do contact school.

If you require any further clarification, please do get in touch, rather than taking to social media.



Mrs C.A. Smith (Head of School)