



19th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for remaining calm in this difficult time.

Because of the lack of clarification from the government yet, our Service Director for Education in Cambridgeshire has been told by the DfE that local authorities need to work with schools to mobilise the actions resulting from the announcements. As such, our Service Director for Education has agreed with the DfE the following key definitions for Key workers:

Key workers –

- NHS staff
- Teachers and support school
- Police and community support officers
- Frontline civilian police staff
- Prison officers and staff
- Probation officers and trainee prob officers
- LA officers and LA/ NHS social workers
- Uniformed staff in fire and rescue services
- Armed forces personnel and some civilian MOD personnel (ie clinical staff, MOD police, uniformed fire and defence) and some discharged personnel
- Highway agency traffic staff
- LA environmental health officers/practitioners
- Care workers
- Food/supermarket drivers and other workers

Please note, the DfE have agreed that it is both parents who need to be key workers to enable their children attend school.

We await a proforma letter from the local authority to send to parents today that records key worker children numbers against this key worker list. Please ensure you help us at this time by returning the for as soon as possible so that we can plan appropriately for Monday 23rd March. Deadlines are extremely tight.

The working definition for vulnerable pupils is going to be -

- Those pupils with EHCPs who require significant levels of additional support
- Pupils with access to social worker

It is important to note that these definitions have not been confirmed yet by the government. This is a speculative list decided by the DfE as they await further clarification from the government so these definitions may well change.

I will communicate with you all again later once further information is received. Thank you again for your continued patience and support at this time.

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