



# St Bartholomew's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Places in School

Our numbers in school are growing and some year groups are nearly full for the numbers we feel are safe. The new government advice below confirms that children where possible should be at home. If your situation changes and you are able to keep your children at home, please let us know. This will help keep the numbers in school as low as possible and will free a place for critical workers who have no other provision. Thank you

***“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.”***

Remember children need to come to school every day once they have a place.

## Staying at home if anyone in your house displays symptoms

***You must follow the rules about isolating to keep the children, staff and wider community safe. Do not send your children to school if they or anyone living in your house or anyone they have had close contact with has symptoms and has had a test. They can only return after a negative test result or after 10 days if the test is positive.***

## Uniform

Following the most recent Leeds guidance, we are updating our advice on what children wear to school. The guidance is that children wear clean clothes every day. We are aware that you may not have enough uniform for this so children may wear any suitable clothing. To reduce the amount of washing you may have another option is that children rotate the clothes they wear leaving 72 hours before wearing them again.

## Times

Children of critical workers registered for breakfast and after school club can access this as normal. There are currently no additional places. All other children must arrive between 8.30-9.00am and be picked up from 3.00-3.10pm from their normal doors.

## Sanitary Products

We are still able to offer free sanitary products to any families who need them. Please ask at the office if you need any.

## Play Scheme

We are offering play scheme to critical workers who have no alternative childcare. If the other parent is at home including working from home then they must care for your children. Places are very restricted and we will only offer a place once we have evidence of your work rota for that week. Please complete the form you receive this week and return it by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. We will let you know on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> if your child has a place. The cost is £5 per day.

