

## COVID-19 Update

Dear Parents

### **School Closure Update (22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020)**

The school, as you know, closed on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020, until further notice, for all pupils following government recommendations to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

South Lanarkshire Council have updated their contingency planning for Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to include Category 1 Key Workers (Health and Care workers supporting COVID-19 and associated staff. Health and care workers supporting life threatening emergency work, as well as critical primary and community care provision). On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March this was extended to include emergency service workers.

I am aware that you may have received a letter from your employer telling you that you are a key worker however, following **local authority** and **government guidance** we are **only** accepting children who are well and healthy and **whose parents are BOTH due to work and are listed as Category 1 or are emergency service workers i.e. NHS staff, police, fire and rescue, ambulance and prison service) and who cannot secure personal, alternative childcare arrangements.**

If you are in any doubt please contact the school office on Monday morning, **before** dropping your child off.

As Monday isn't a normal school day please:

- All Children should be brought to the main entrance
- Speak with a member of school staff when you arrive to sign the children in and confirm arrangements for 3pm.
- Children are not required to wear school uniform.
- Children and adults entering the building will be asked to wash their hands, please be patient as this may take some time.
- Please bring your child's home learning pack.

Children attending for Free School Meals, can drop-in between 12pm-1:30pm.

We are now in a period of national emergency which is evolving daily. I would appreciate your co-operation at this very challenging time. As further updates are released, we will share these with you by app, Twitter and, where feasible, on our website.

I'd like to thank everyone for your support and wish you and your family good health. Please follow the social distancing rules and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school as soon as it is safe to do so.

Kindest regards

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Head Teacher