



Pilgrims' Way Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been a great deal of speculation over the last few days as to whether or not schools will be safe to open. There is understandable concern and confusion around being in Tier 4 and other Kent localities moving to remote learning but others not. In my last letter to you, I wrote that Pilgrims' Way will be open from tomorrow (Monday 4 January 2021) for all children and currently our staffing levels are such that this is able to happen.

I have received emails from parents and carers who have decided not to send their children back to school tomorrow. Should you make this decision then the school will not be issuing fines at this time but your child's absence will be unauthorised. Home Learning for families who decide not to send their children back to school can be accessed through your child's class page on the school website. Whilst the school remains open this will be limited to some suggested activities linked to the current topic and links to White Rose Maths resources.

Should the government change its advice to move to remote learning or we face staffing issues then we will be moving to remote learning for all our children. We need to know which children will still be coming into school because their parents or carers are Critical Workers and they cannot find alternative child care.

[Critical Worker information](#)

[Click here](#) for the link to our online form which must be completed if you are a Critical Worker and intend to send you child/children in to school.

This is just so we are prepared should things changed. In the past you were able to select the days your child would be coming into school however this is not an option this time and if you want your child to come into school, they need to attend every day.

I thank you all for your support throughout this challenging time. I will endeavour to communicate with you all as quickly and clearly as I can.

Warm regards

AM Middleton
Headteacher