



Pilgrims' Way Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you to keep you up to date on the ever changing response measures to tackling the Coronavirus pandemic. As you are aware schools have been asked to close but remain available to those children who are vulnerable or have critical worker parents.

Gavin Williamson, the Education Secretary, released reminders at the weekend on how schools are to be used by parents/carers stating that children should only be sent to school if your work is critical to the Covid-19 response. He clearly states that:

If you are able to keep your children at home, you should.

We are asking that children are only in school as a last resort, you should speak to your employer to find out if you are needed. For those children who need to be in, we will welcome them, and care for them, as we always do.

To ensure that we can plan the correct staff numbers in school, we are asking you to inform us when you need your child to be in school. Please email welfare@pilgrims-way.kent.sch.uk when you require childcare provision for the next two weeks. Remember school should be used a last resort.

Breakfast club and Koala club will not be open from now on, all children will need to come to school with a packed lunch as our school kitchen has closed.

We are currently finalising our response to the Governments pledge to provide vouchers for all pupils who are eligible for free school meals (this does not include universal free school meals). We will inform you as soon as possible.

We appreciate your understanding at this difficult time,

Miss AM Middleton
Headteacher