

19th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We received the following information via the Minister for Education and the Prime Minister's speeches on Wednesday 18/3/20 at 5pm and subsequent DFE advice:

- All schools are being asked to run a service for key workers' children from Monday 23/3/20 onwards
- The Government stated last night, that this would involve all students with an EHCP and our vulnerable students
- 'Vulnerable' students will be defined further
- We are awaiting more information from the Cabinet to clarify who 'key workers' are, but they have listed the following: NHS health care workers, the Police and supermarket delivery drivers
- We are also being asked to run this education/enrichment service through the holidays
- We are being asked to continue to provide a free school meal service for PP students entitled to free school meals, as a minimum expectation
- National exams will not take place in May

There was no statement about a return date as yet, but the messages in the press are a significant period of time.

In order to help us plan for Monday and onwards, we need to know today if you are a key worker i.e. **NHS health care workers, Police or supermarket delivery driver.** Please email Admin on <u>admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk</u> **titled: Notification of a Key Worker family.** Please state your name, your child's/children's names and their year group. [see attached] It is important, that we receive information today, in order to have an accurate picture to support our planning.

So what is the school currently considering?

- Who are our key workers and vulnerable students?
- Ensuring that we provide PP students in receipt of free school meals with the opportunity for a meal each day.
- Creating a service of education and physical activity from Monday for our vulnerable students and children of key workers
- Considering and planning what we can offer during the Easter holidays
- Considering how we continue students' learning in full after Easter if the substantial proportion of our students are not in school, as their learning will need to continue

Please remember from Monday 23/3/20 all work for all year groups to complete will be on our Website, packs of hard copies will be available to collect after lunch. All PP students in receipt of free school meals, will be welcome to share a meal with us at 1:10pm daily. We will continue to keep you updated. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely Jo Gant Headteacher enc

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Notification of a Key Worker

Name of Parent	Role	Child's Name	Year Group

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