

19th March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Parents of Keyworkers and Identified vulnerable students

The Government have asked the school to remain open and provide emergency education provision for keyworkers' children and those identified as 'vulnerable'. Your child has been identified as someone who meets the criteria as set by the Government. Please be advised that this offer is only to be accepted if necessary, it is supportive not compulsory.

In the next two weeks, subject to staff health, we are planning to provide a planned education programme from 8:30am-3:20pm. Lunch will be as normal for your child, i.e. if they have a packed lunch, please bring it with them, if you pay for school meals, please continue to do so and if you are in receipt of free school meals, lunch will be provided as usual. During the afternoon of each day, students will have an opportunity to engage in an outdoor activity, so please include a change of footwear with their normal equipment

To help us plan, if you have not already informed us you want this provision, please email via : admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk to confirm. If you do not respond, we will assume you do not need this provision.

We are currently exploring the possibility of an 'Easter Enrichment Activity' programme during the holidays and we will confirm details next week.

Does my child have to attend?

No – Government advice is that self isolation is best, this is an emergency education provision

Will children at home be doing different learning?

The school will have posted two weeks' worth of learning, equivalent to two weeks schooling on the website by Monday for those students not attending school. Your child is being offered the opportunity to continue their learning in school and they will be covering the same topics as those at home.

Are there any benefits?

Yes – this measure is to support you as a parent if you cannot find childcare.

Will school transport continue to operate?

Yes – they will be running a service for the next two weeks.

Do they need to wear school uniform?

No – students do not need to wear uniform until further notice.

Can students buy snacks at break?

No – please send your child in with a snack, this service will not be available until further notice.

Yours sincerely

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