

## MELLOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Government released the guidance on key worker criteria at midnight last night. We are now in a position therefore to gather as much information as possible. Please read the guidance on the <u>link</u> below and make an informed decision as to whether you and your family meet the criteria.

Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be. This is an offer to parents and carers and there is no requirement for parents and carers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so.

Please, therefore, follow these key principles:

- 1. If a child needs specialist support, has an EHCP, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them.
- 2. Parents should not rely for childcare upon those who are advised to be in the stringent social distancing category such as grandparents, friends, or family members with underlying conditions.
- 3. Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.
- 4. If your work is critical to the COVID-19 response, or you work in one of the critical sectors listed, and you cannot keep your child safe at home then your children will be prioritised for education provision.
- 5. We ask that you use Gateway to reserve a place for your child/ren by giving consent under Key Workers Provision in the payments section.

If you require OOSC provision please state in the comments section whether you require Breakfast Club; After School until 5pm; After School until 6pm and then checkout.

Once we have established those families requiring provision, we will give further guidance on how school will operate.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Jim Nicholson Headteacher







