

Tuesday 5^{th} January 2021

Dear Parents,

School is closed on Tuesday January 5th to all pupils. School is closed to MOST pupils from Wednesday 6th January

We have just been informed that the UK has moved into National Lockdown. This means sadly that schools will be closed to pupils until at least February half term.

I am sure you will understand that as we have just received this information, we will need some time in order to put in plans for how we can support our Vulnerable and Key Worker children in school whilst offering Remote Learning to the rest of our pupils. Therefore, Sowe Valley will be closed to all children tomorrow in order to gather further information and plan the provision that we will be offering during this time.

From Wednesday 6th January, most pupils will need to remain at home and continue their learning remotely. We will be providing further information regarding home learning tomorrow. It is important that children maintain their basic routine at home, including accessing their learning through Google classroom. This will begin on Wednesday 6th January.

Our school will be open to the following children from Wednesday 6th January; <u>Vulnerable pupils</u> - school will contact parents tomorrow <u>Pupils of critical workers</u> - parents/carers whose work is critical to the Coronavirus response including those that work in health or social care. (Please see Government list as below) It has been advised that where possible, <u>children should remain at home</u> however if you are Critical workers and have no other means of child care it would be extremely helpful if you could complete the information below so that we can plan our provision by 11am 5th January.



https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintainingeducational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authoritieson-maintaining-educational-provision

<u>Please note if you are not a Key Worker or will not be requiring provision</u> you do not need to return this information.

I will be sending out further information tomorrow as and when it comes through regarding Free School Meals.

In the meantime, thank you for your understanding and patience as we try our best to navigate these challenges. Please take care of yourselves and we look forward to the times where we can all be back together.

Thank you for your support,

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Critical Worker Information

Child/Children's Names: Year Group/s:

Parent 1 Name:	Parent 2 Name:
Critical worker role:	Critical worker role:
Employment Name/Address/Contact	Employment Name/Address/Contact
Number:	Number: