



# Warden Hill

PRIMARY SCHOOL

4 January 2021

Dear Parents

## School Closure

At 8pm this evening the Prime Minister announced that, as of tomorrow, schools will be closed to all children except those of Critical Workers.

Although we obviously want to be able to support our Critical Worker parents as soon as we can, it is not possible to put in and communicate new safe arrangements for all children overnight. Therefore, following local authority protocol, I have spoken to Mike Dixon, the Chair of Governors for Warden Hill, who has approved my request and we will therefore stay closed tomorrow (Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January) to ALL pupils. I am sure that you will understand that we need this one day to make the logistical arrangements required and to ensure proper safeguarding of all our pupils and staff.

A form will be sent via Xpressions in the morning, to the last group of Critical workers we have on the system to ascertain what provision is required. Additional important information will be on this form.

If you have recently joined the school and are a Critical Worker, or have become a Critical Worker since the last lockdown, please contact the school as soon as possible after 9am and we will add you to the Xpression form.

*Critical Worker definition:* <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

Provision for Critical Worker children will be made available from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January and this is the date that home learning will go live. For tomorrow please access the [Oak National Academy](#) in the parents and carers section, as well as our original home learning page: [Home Learning - Warden Hill Primary School](#).

Please bear with us at this time, we have only learnt of this lockdown at the same time as you and we will do everything we can to ensure our respective families are fully supported at this difficult time. Thank you for your anticipated continued support.

Kind Regards

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Headteacher

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