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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Covid 19 (Coronavirus)

We now have more details on the government's criteria for key workers, who will be eligible for child care at school from next Monday, 23rd March. Please see below for an updated list of key workers:

Health and social care

Frontline health and social care staff such as doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, as well as support and specialist staff in the health and social care sector. In addition, it includes those working in supply chains including producers and distributors of medicines and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

Nursery, teaching staff and social workers.

Key public services

Those required to run the justice system, religious staff, as well as those responsible for managing the deceased, and journalists providing public service broadcasting.

Local and national government

Administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the Covid-19 response or delivering essential public services, including payment of benefits.

Food and other necessary goods

Those involved in the production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery of food.

Public safety and national security

Police, support staff, Ministry of Defence civilian staff and armed forces personnel, fire and rescue staff, and those responsible for border security, prisons and probation.

Transport

Those who will keep air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the Covid-19 response.

Utilities, communication and financial services

Staff required to keep oil, gas, electricity, water and sewerage operations running. Staff in the civil nuclear, chemical and telecommunications sectors. Those in postal services and those working to provide essential financial services.

Various news agencies are reporting that only one parent will need to meet this criteria and we are seeking official verification of this. We will confirm the official position with you later. In the meantime, please fill in the form below indicating which parent (if you are a two-parent family) the information applies to.

Parents are being asked to use their own child care arrangements where possible. Our school is suffering from significant staff shortages at present, which is likely to run into the next fortnight. So, while we don't want to deter anyone entitled to the childcare next week, our school will be limited in its abilities.

We will write to those of you who have been allocated a place by the end of the day with details of the service we will be providing, as well as information on how we will expect you to show proof of your key worker status.

Please email (admin@shsharingey.co.uk) indicating you think you may be eligible. Include the following details in your email:

- 1. Childs name
- 2. Childs class
- 3. Days you require care
- 4. Service you work for

Please send this email by 9:30am today. Failure to meet this deadline with not mean you cannot access this service. However, in order to plan effectively we ask you do your best to have the information with us this morning.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Scotchbrook Headteacher