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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you for supporting us by requesting access to our critical worker and vulnerable child provision, only when absolutely necessary. We now have year group bubbles set up with a limit on numbers in each bubble. We continue to have staff members either ill, or self-isolating, so we appreciate your help in keeping numbers of children on site to a minimum.

I have some further Frequently Asked Questions to respond to in this letter. Feel free to email in any questions (admin@shsharingey.co.uk), or concerns you may have, and I will do my best to answer common questions and resolve issues.

Can you provide more live Zoom lessons as part of the remote learning offer?

Our teaching staff will be developing and improving our remote learning offer continuously. Each week's staff meeting will focus on how we can improve Google Classroom.

At this stage, we have decided not to provide more Zoom sessions, beyond PSHE sessions and quick catch up meetings. However, teachers will be recording more videos to support children's learning. These videos will have an advantage over a live session, in that children, and parents, will be able to watch them at a time which suits them. They can be re-watched if a particular point is not understood the first time round. You will see more of these videos appearing in Google Classroom over the course of the next week. Please let us know what you think.

Do I have to attend the five minute catch up Zoom meetings?

These meetings are designed to support children not attending school. So, teachers will not be arranging to speak to parents who have their children in school.

The catch up meeting is a chance for the teacher to talk to your child on a personal level. You are more than welcome to be present at the meetings and join in the discussion.

As these meetings will only be five minutes long, if you need a longer discussion with your child's teacher, please request these in the usual way by emailing in your request (admin@shsharingey.co.uk).

How do I request Free School Meal Vouchers?

Our admin team have arranged for vouchers to be sent to all parents/carers entitled to Free School Meals. We sent these before the Christmas break and have now arranged for another fortnight's worth of vouchers to be sent out. You will receive these via text message in the next day or so.

If your child is attending school, you will not be sent the vouchers as your child will be having their lunch at school.

If you feel you may be entitled to Free School Meals and would like to discuss this, feel free to call our admin team for a confidential conversation.

Yours Sincerely,

Ian Scotchbrook

Headteacher