





20 March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We are writing to share our plans to open a Key Worker Scheme.

The government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. They have explained:

It is important to underline that schools, colleges and other educational establishments remain safe places for children. But the fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.

From Monday, 23 March 2020, we will only be providing face to face teaching to students who are 'vulnerable,' or to the children of 'key workers.' Whilst we await final confirmation, the definitions of 'vulnerable' and 'key workers' are:

- Looked After Children
- Pupils with an EHCP
- Pupils on a Child Protection Plan
- Pupils on a Child in Need Plan
- Children of NHS workers
- Children of public sector workers
- Children of school staff
- Children of armed services
- Children of delivery driver;
- Children of supermarket staff.

Parents/Carers of students who are 'vulnerable' will be contacted directly to discuss their child's provision and support. If you have any questions about this, please email safeguarding@pcs.hants.sch.uk

Parents and carers who are considered 'key workers' should complete the on-line form on our website at https://bit.ly/33xxuMA. This is the **ONLY** way to enrol your child onto this provision and you will need to complete one e-form per child.

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Some important points about our Key Worker Scheme:

- Students will be expected to attend each day on time unless agreed otherwise;
- Students attending must wear full school uniform and observe our dress code:
- Students should only enter and exit the school via the main entrance on Middle Park Way;
- Children of Park Community School staff, who are not on roll, may be enrolled and should wear their existing school uniform;
- We will follow our existing behaviour management policy, including a ban on the use of mobile phones;
- The school will open at 7:45am for a breakfast club (this continues to be free of charge);
- Lessons will start at 8:30am and finish at 2.45pm;
- A hot lunch will be provided daily (this is free of charge). There will be a vegetarian option. Other food may be provided on a charged for basis, e.g. at break or lunchtime;
- Students should bring PE kit in every day;
- If your child is ill then you should contact us as normal on our absence line: 023 92 489800.

The above is subject to change following an assessment of staffing levels and any further Government guidance. We would not want to cause unnecessary inconvenience and so will try to give notice to families of any limitation of this service. However, the school can only open to students as long as sufficient numbers of staff remain healthy and do not have to self-isolate.

Over the Easter break we are hoping to run an Easter School. If you wish to express an interest in this, then please indicate on the e-form when signing up for the scheme. There will be another chance to sign up for any provision starting on 20 April 2020 (if the school remains closed).

Yours sincerely

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