



Tuesday 12th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will all remember that week, I wrote to you to say that the Government position with regard to guidance for schools is very fluid at the moment and as such, could change at any time. As you know, our current position is that school only open to the children of key/critical workers, however on Thursday afternoon and Friday evening, the government announced another two significant updates, which I shall detail below:

Thursday 7th Jan update

“Children with at least one parent or carer who is a critical worker can go to school or college if required.”

Our response: We are now open to all critical/key worker families, whether they have 1 or 2 key/critical workers within the household.

Friday 8th Jan evening's update

The updated guidance states:

“Children with at least one parent or carer who is a critical worker can go to school or college if required, but parents and carers should keep their children at home if they can.”

We will continue to run our full time, Monday-Friday provision for those children of key/critical workers who need it, but if you/your partner works from home and you would be able to keep your child/ren at home, I would urge you to do so. We currently have 30% of our pupils in school, which is a significantly higher figure than during the initial national lockdown.

In the light of this guidance, if you now feel that you are able to keep your child/ren at home to access the remote learning offer, please email info@st-elizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk to inform us of this decision.

Stay safe and thank you again for your understanding.

Kind regards,

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