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Dear Parents and Carers,

Ref: Update and Key Worker childcare request – action required

This letter is to confirm that following the government guidance issued today, all schools are to close in order to prevent the spread of Coronavirus. As Childwall Abbey School has already closed due to staffing issues, the current situation will continue for the foreseeable future. School is **not** open to any pupils on Monday (23.3.20).

Please follow Government advice to reduce social contact, self-isolate if you are unwell and to keep your child at home if at all possible, as it is safer in most circumstances, during this crisis, than sending them to school. We should all make every effort to stay safe

Schools are now asked, where possible, to make childcare provision for children of key workers and the most vulnerable children, who cannot be kept safe at home.

Following this morning's Leadership Team meeting, with support from our Chair of Governors, we have decided to consider the possibility of opening our doors again at some point for:

1. Children of key workers
2. Children currently on Child Protection Plans (CP, section 47)
3. Children currently classed as Child in Need (CiN, section 17)
4. Children currently subject to Early Help Assessment Tool (EHAT).

We already know who the children in category 2, 3 and 4 are. We now ask that anyone who can demonstrate that they meet the criteria of a KEY WORKER as per Government guidance (see link on school website) and urgently requires childcare, emails info@childwallabbey.school.net with answers to all of the questions in the table attached. Please do not telephone as we may be unable to answer your call.

This information is essential. We are only seeking emails from key workers and will then need some time to identify what we may be able to provide, given our dramatically reduced staffing numbers. If you are unable to return the form via email, you can collect a paper copy from our office, between 9a.m. and 2p.m.

Thank you very much for your ongoing support and understanding in these difficult times.

Yours faithfully,

CM Piercy

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