



# Southern Road Primary School

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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents/carers,

As mentioned yesterday the school will be **closed for most children from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** apart from a small number of children in particular those of key workers. This final list of key workers has now released by the government and includes.

- *All NHS staff including 999 responders and other emergency support staff*
- *All staff of Education settings (nursery to sixth form) inc support and admin staff*
- *Any local or national government employee e.g. those that support in benefit payments*
- *Justice staff, charity staff and workers delivering key frontline services to those in need.*
- *Essential workers in the food and distribution of food. E.g. drivers, cashiers and warehouse workers.*
- *All police and national security workers*
- *Transport workers - includes those who will keep the **air, water, road and rail** passenger and **freight transport** modes operating during the COVID-19 response.*
- *Gas, electricians, oil, water and sewage and other utility workers inc phone network operators and technicians.*

If workers think they fall within the above critical categories they should confirm with their employer that, based on their business continuity arrangements, their **specific role is necessary for the continuation of this essential public service.**

***If this is the case you must email myself [mr.macgregor@southernroadprimary.com](mailto:mr.macgregor@southernroadprimary.com) by 12pm today with your key worker role, your child's name and class. Your child may not be able to attend school on Monday unless you do so. This is to ensure we have correct staff ratios.***

**Please only do this if you wish to send your child to school. Some of you have emailed me already. So thank you to those for their swift response.**

**Please also remember:**

- **If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.**
- **If a child needs specialist support or vulnerable then educational provision will be available for them.**

Many thanks for your support at this difficult time.

Kind Regards

Mr. MacGregor

Head Teacher