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Dear Parents and Carers,

Information letter explaining school provision for children of key workers from Tuesday 24th March 2020

Thank you for making contact requesting to use this service. We are adapting and developing our resources to support you with childcare provision for as long as is necessary.

Below is an outline of the provision that will be in place:

School Hours and Days

Initially the provision will be from 8:30am - 3:05pm Monday to Friday starting on Tuesday 24th March 2020. This will continue through the Easter break (excluding Bank Holidays) and will run until further notice.

Attendance Requirements

There is no requirement for any children to attend and the Government advice is for children to stay at home if at all possible. Also, children do not need to attend every day. It would be helpful if the school could be informed of attendance plans a day in advance.

Non-key worker children Attendance

It is important Government advice on reducing contact is followed. Therefore children of non-key workers will not be permitted to attend through this period.

Contact through the school day

The school reception will be open and the normal school telephone lines will be staffed.

Transport to School

Transport to The Roseland will be the parents' responsibility.

Childcare Provision

The Government has made it clear that it is not expecting schools to run as legally intended in providing structured lessons and that this is emergency childcare for key workers. Most pupils are encouraged to complete their learning tasks. Please can you ensure that your child has got some activities to engage them during the day. They will be in our eLC which has plenty of computers, it contains our library so they have access to secondary school books and comfy places to sit and relax. Please allow your child to bring in a tablet and/or laptop. We are reducing our filtering in school to allow children to access their NETFLIX and Amazon Prime accounts so that they can watch appropriate series and age related films. They can also play games that are appropriately age related.





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We would also encourage them to bring in their own books, puzzles and board games. We will also give them opportunities to go outside for fresh air and exercise.

Uniform

Students will not be expected to wear school uniform. They should wear sensible casual clothing.

Behaviour Expectations

It is incredibly important that in this time, the students in our care experience a calm and safe environment. High standards of behaviour will be expected and maintained by all. Any behaviour issues in school will not be tolerated.

Hygiene and Cleanliness Expectations

Everyone, students and staff, must wash their hands as per the national guidance at the point of arrival. Antibacterial hand gels and soap are available on site to maintain a high level of hygiene for all. The areas where the students work will be sanitised periodically.

Students are recommended to have tissues with them to help them maintain a high level of hygiene throughout the day. The most important aspect is regular hand washing and for the guided time of 20 seconds.

Food and Drink

Students must bring their own drink bottles. Where possible, provide your son/daughter with their own packed lunches, snacks and drink. Food and drink will be available for our students that are entitled to free school meals.

Self Isolation

Throughout this provision the Government advice and guidance on self isolation prioritises. That is if the child or someone in the household develops coronavirus symptoms they must remain at home and self isolate for the required period of time. Further guidance can be found: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-advice/>

Yours sincerely

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