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For Parents/carers of pupils who currently have a place in school

As you will be aware, we have offered your child a place at school. We have been inundated with requests and unfortunately difficult decisions have had to be made when allocating places.

Last week the government updated their guidance with regards to critical worker places and they are now requesting critical workers to **only send their children to school if they are unable to work from home. If critical workers are working from home or have another adult at home or in their childcare bubble, they should not be sending their child into school.** This is due to the huge number of requests that schools are facing at the current time. **The stay at home message to save lives is now even stronger.**

We have been very fortunate not to have to close any bubbles yet and I am desperate for our school to remain open for the families who absolutely have no other choice but to use us and for those families who are directly required to support the covid-19 response. With the new strain of the virus being more virulent and with over 100 children in school we will end up having to close bubbles which is not what we want to do.

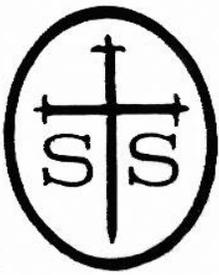
I also need to keep my staff well and safe so that they can continue to deliver our remote learning offer to parents. In many schools teaching staff are working from home or on a rota system to reduce the number of staff in the building but I am unable to do this effectively due to the sheer number of requests for places we have.

Therefore I am urging parents not to use us if any of the following apply:

- 1) Your wife/husband/partner is at home and can care for your child.
- 2) You or your partner are not working as you have shift patterns/days off etc (part time arrangements)
- 3) You have a support bubble that your child could go to e.g grandparents.
- 4) If your employer can arrange for you to work from home.

We want to be available for the parents who are not able to work from home as they are required to attend their work place to support the covid response. Please phone the school office if you can keep your child at home and change any days.





We may have to ask you to provide evidence from employers of days working etc. if we cannot reduce the numbers in school further.

Hopefully this should only be for a short period until the rate of infection on the Wirral is reduced.

Finally, I just want to say a huge thank you to you all for everything everyone is doing to support school at this incredibly difficult time. Your support is very much appreciated.

Warmest regards,
Mr Ramsden and Miss Shaw

