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Critical keyworker applications

The Critical Keyworker application form is now available to complete on school spider. You must complete a form for each child in your family that you require a place for. This form is only for those parents and carers who are considered to be a Critical Keyworker by the government, and it is not at all possible for children to stay at home.

We are already aware of who our identified vulnerable children are and these children will be automatically offered a place in school. If you are not contacted today by one of our team and consider your child to be vulnerable as identified by the government, please contact school as soon as possible by phone or email.

A Critical Keyworker is considered to be someone [listed as a critical worker](#) by the government.

Unless your child is vulnerable or has a parent who is identified as a critical worker and offered a place in school, you must not bring your child to school. School is closed to all other children from Tuesday 4th January 2021 and remote learning will be provided daily.

We are able to offer 285 places in total for vulnerable and keyworker children in school. This provision will be offered on both school sites, in year groups and with before and after school provision if there is enough demand to make it viable.

The form on school spider must be complete by **1.30pm today** in order to guarantee a place from tomorrow. The form will be reopened tomorrow morning by 8am (Weds 6th) for any parents/carers who have missed the deadline and need provision from next week.

You will be informed if you have been successful or not later this afternoon. The time it takes for us to respond will depend on the level of demand for places, so please be patient. We will do our very best to contact you as soon as possible.

Please also understand that our offer may change if there is further guidance made available from the DFE.

Places will be offered out in the following order of priority.

1. Vulnerable children and young people

Vulnerable children and young people include those who:

- are assessed as being in need under section 17 of the Children Act 1989, including children and young people who have a child in need plan, a child protection plan or who are a looked-after child
- have an education, health and care (EHC) plan
- have been identified as otherwise vulnerable by educational providers or local authorities (including children's social care services), and who could therefore benefit from continued full-time attendance, this might include:
 - children and young people on the edge of receiving support from children's social care services or in the process of being referred to children's services
 - adopted children or children on a special guardianship order
 - those at risk of becoming NEET ('not in employment, education or training')
 - those living in temporary accommodation
 - those who are young carers
 - those who may have difficulty engaging with remote education at home (for example due to a lack of devices or quiet space to study)
 - care leavers
 - others at the provider and local authority's discretion including pupils and students who need to attend to receive support or manage risks to their mental health

2. Families where both parents/carers or single parent/carers families are confirmed as critical keyworkers according to the latest government list.

3. Families where one parent/carer in the families is confirmed as a critical keyworker according to the government list. If there are not enough places available to meet the demand places will be offered according to the priority list of roles as listed in the government guidance. E.g. Health and Social Care first, then Education and Childcare etc....

Please note that we may request a workplace ID badge or payslip as evidence of your critical keyworker role.

Critical workers as listed by the government

Parents whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and EU transition response include those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following sections.

Health and social care

This includes, but is not limited to, doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and

social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

Education and childcare

This includes:

- childcare
- support and teaching staff
- social workers
- specialist education professionals who must remain active during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response to deliver this approach

Key public services

This includes:

- those essential to the running of the justice system
- religious staff
- charities and workers delivering key frontline services
- those responsible for the management of the deceased
- journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting

Local and national government

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of:

- the coronavirus (COVID-19) response, and the delivery of and response to EU transition
- essential public services, such as the payment of benefits and the certification or checking of goods for import and export (including animal products, animals, plants and food), including in government agencies and arms length bodies

Food and other necessary goods

This includes those involved in food:

- production
- processing
- distribution
- sale and delivery
- as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines)

Public safety and national security

This includes:

- police and support staff

- Ministry of Defence civilians
- contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and EU transition)
- fire and rescue service employees (including support staff)
- National Crime Agency staff
- those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas

Transport and border

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response and EU transition, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass and those constructing or supporting the operation of critical transport and border infrastructure through which supply chains pass.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes:

- staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure)
- the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage)
- information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the coronavirus (COVID-19) response
- key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services)
- postal services and delivery
- payments providers
- waste disposal sectors