



# Greystoke Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very sorry to be emailing this late in the evening; but given the Prime Minister's message at 8pm tonight, I am compelled to make contact with you all to reassure you that the SLT are preparing plans for the education of all our children – either remotely or in person.

Many of you would have found out through the national government briefing this evening that all schools are to close to all children but those but vulnerable children and those with 2 Key worker parents from midnight tonight. This is a shock to us all and we are working tirelessly to ensure your child/ren receives the best education we can offer during these difficult circumstances. We understand that many of you will be anxious and concerned about Mr Johnson's latest message, but we aim to reassure you that we have the children's best interests at heart.

In response to the rapid change, **we will be open tomorrow to the children of Key Workers and all children who are considered to be vulnerable ONLY (as defined from the first lockdown).** I imagine that an updated Key Worker/Vulnerable list will be published by the government and we will communicate this with you as soon we are able to. I have attached a Microsoft form for you to communicate your childcare needs for the week. If your child/ren did not attend Greystoke prior to this academic year and both parents/carers are Key workers, please immediately email our office inbox with proof of your employment, and we will gladly welcome your child to school tomorrow. Wraparound Care will be open tomorrow, under the hours as in the previous lockdown, please indicate if you need before school care from 8:00 am or/and afterschool care from 3:15 – 5:00pm. Please note that wrap around care is only available for Key workers at present. We will communicate any changes with you as soon as we are able to. For all other Key Worker/Vulnerable children please bring your child/ren to school via the hall, at their usual school starting time.

**Please note: Pre-School will remain open as normal to all children.** This does not include children in our reception year, who will only be admitted as Keyworker or Vulnerable children.

All children who will not be attending school tomorrow, must access their learning via TEAMS. Due to the suddenness of the announcement, staff will not be posting work online until Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January. If your child/ren does not have access to a digital device (e.g. laptop, PC, Xbox, Play Station, mobile phone, iPad/Tablet or Smart TV), please inform your child's teacher immediately so that we can support your child/ren as best as possible. We will communicate further with you on this matter as soon as possible.



We will be making further contact with you tomorrow and be rest assured that we are doing everything possible to communicate as swiftly as we can under these high pressured and unprecedented times. We thank you for your patience, understanding and support.  
Best wishes,

Karin Roberts.  
Assistant Headteacher.

