

Coronavirus (COVID-19): School Closure

Dear Scientia Families

As you will be aware, the government announced on 4 January 2021 that all primary schools will move to remote education. Schools will now only be providing onsite provision for the children of critical workers and vulnerable pupils.

Keeping Pupils Safe

There is nothing more important to us than the safety of our children and community. Although we are really looking forward to the opportunity to see as many of our children as possible again, we will of course be following the government guidance to keep children and families as safe as possible.

When the government confirms that schools are allowed to open fully again, we will carry out a full risk assessment and open at the earliest possible opportunity.

Face-to-Face Education

Although the school will be closed at this time, we will still be allowed to provide face-to-face education for the following pupils who will be expected to attend school.

- Children of critical workers
- Vulnerable pupils: those with a EHCP, with a Social Worker, or other pupils deemed as potentially vulnerable due to personal circumstances.

Pupils from Reception to Year 6 should attend school as normal from Wednesday 6th January 2021. We will contact you to confirm if your child should be attending school.

We are hoping to reopen our Nursery this week as soon as this has been approved by our Trust; nursery parents will be contacted separately.

Please make sure that you have completed the online survey to identify yourself as a critical worker.

Home Learning

In addition, we will also continue to provide home learning activities for other pupils who are not at school. Information about our approach to remote learning will be provided in a separate letter.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. We know that the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic are not yet over, but with your help we are determined to continue to do the very best for all our children throughout this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

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