



12th January 2021

Thank You

Dear Parents & Carers,

I would like to thank you all for your support of Parkland since the government made the announcement to close schools to all but children of critical workers and vulnerable children. As I am sure you can imagine, having less than 12 hours to put everything in place was not an easy task. I would like to thank all the Parkland staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure school was open for those children who needed a place, and that remote learning was ready for pupils working at home.

The next few weeks will not be easy for us all and I hope we can all work together to support each other.

Thank you to those parents who have agreed to keep their children at home when they are able to do so. We need to ensure we can keep everyone safe and follow social distancing and therefore we need to limit numbers in school.

Parents who have not already requested a place in school may not be able to do so due to high numbers already. We will take each request on a case by case basis. If your child does have a keyworker school place, you must complete the online form which has been emailed today, by **5pm on Thursday each week**. If you do not complete this form, we cannot guarantee a place for your child. The school office will not be able to make bookings for you.

If your child is learning remotely, our teachers are available to support getting them online and accessing lessons. We have had many children engaging in their learning so far which is fantastic. We don't want your child to miss out so please encourage them to engage as much as possible each day. We understand that it is difficult trying to support your child from home and we are here to help. Due to sharing devices or your own work needs your child may need to be flexible on when they access their learning. We understand this and would encourage you to find a pattern that suits your needs.

Thank you for all the words of thanks we have received so far. It helps to know that we can work together. We are working hard to get things right and to support you at this difficult time.

There is support for online learning in your child's Team account and also on the school website, please ask if you require help.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Andrews
Headteacher