

Dear Parents,

Thank you for the many lovely messages and words of support we have received today.

I just wanted to let you know that we have had **many** more requests for key worker places this time. We *can* take these children, however I wanted to let you know that obviously the reason the school is partially shut is for **safety reasons**, this is very serious and we know children are more vulnerable to the latest strain and can spread it. We also need to consider the wellbeing of the staff and wider community at this time.

I would urge you to please really consider if you need to send your child in at this time. Numbers in some classes are currently over 15 (with several forms yet to be submitted!) With large numbers it is much harder to keep children distanced and keep everyone safe, if we get a case it could quite easily spread and we would have to close some or all bubbles, this is also putting families and staff at risk.

All staff are in school working and, ideally, we would have all children in but safety needs to take precedence. *If you can work from home or work out different shifts patterns, **we would urge you to keep your child safely at home** and we will do all we can to support through high quality home learning.*

We will do all we can but I am concerned about trying to keep all staff, children and families safe with such high numbers of children in school.

If you feel that you need to re-submit your form please [email](#) Mrs Beer to advise.

Regards, Karen Reeves