



## Gladstone Road Primary School

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### Good morning from Gladstone Road Primary School!

Thanks again for working with us on this, it is very much appreciated.  
The instructions from the government have now been given and the key messages are:

- **If it is at all possible for your child to be at home, then they should be.**
- If you are a '**critical worker**' and it is **not** possible for your child to be at home, your child can attend school – **you need to contact us by text (0044 7520 634 751) stating where you work and your role by 12 noon today** or let us know in person/by phone/by email if your child is going to be in school on this basis and roughly when (they do not have to be in full-time or even full days). The texts that you sent us earlier in the week were really helpful for us to forward plan our staffing, catering and cleaning. We need you to do this again now that we have this government message and you will have hopefully had guidance from your employers.
- The school day for the identified children will be the usual times and the children will enter/exit from the usual door on Monday and we will then advise if this is to change. **There will be no breakfast club or before/after school clubs.**
- Childcare should not be provided by those who are advised to be in the stringent social distancing category such as grandparents, friends, or family members with underlying conditions.
- Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.
- The provision we can offer and the numbers of children we are able to accept could change as it is dependent on the number of staff we have available. Staff availability could change as they may need to self-isolate, care for their own children if other schools close etc. We will keep you informed about this.



### Definition of a critical worker

A full guide can be found by using the link overleaf or talk to a member of our team if you are unsure. The categories are:

- Health and social care
- Key public services
- Local and national government
- Food and other necessary goods
- Public safety and national security
- Transport
- Utilities, communication and financial services

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

### No Breakfast Club, After School Clubs, Offsite-visits/Sports

Apologies, but we simply can't run anything additional to a basic school day. We are working closely with Sheena and the team from The Playcentre, they are keen to continue with their provision to support the school's plans moving forward.

### Free School Meals

We are looking into the best ways of providing a school meal to the children eligible for Free School Meals. A member of the Finance and Admin Team will be in touch to organise this once we have planned how we are going to do it.

### Children with Specific needs and Vulnerabilities

A member of the Inclusion Team will be in touch if they recommend that your child should be in school.

It has certainly been an unsettling and challenging week for all of us but we got through it. Through our online learning platforms, please keep in touch. I'm sure you will enjoy the activities we have planned and make the best of this situation. If we can support, we will. Please email us on the admin email address putting the name of the person you wish the message to go to in the subject line and we will respond.

Good luck and stay tuned for our updates as and when we receive further information. We look forward to welcoming you back into your school when this situation is resolved so that we can pick up where we left off and move forward.

Very best wishes,



**Mr Garry Johnson**  
Head Teacher