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School Closure during the National Lockdown

Dear Parents and Carers

Remote Learning

Children will sign in to [Microsoft Teams](#) to access their online learning using their existing username and password. If you or your child does not know the username and password then please email homelearning@hendreds.oxon.sch.uk.

Many of the lessons provided online will be through [The Oak National Academy](#). This resource is far more interactive than those we used during the first national lockdown. There may be some additional resources that need to be printed.

Teachers will have daily class calls to provide an element of live teaching. This will be an opportunity for the children to ask questions about their work and share their work with each other. These calls will be timetabled so that children who are sharing devices with siblings in other classes can all access their class call. More details, including the timetable for class calls will follow shortly.

Teachers will be working with those children in school but will also be available regularly throughout the day to answer questions and to offer support to those children learning at home.

Children of Critical Workers

For registration purposes, we need to have a comprehensive list of children for whom at least one parent is classed as a [critical worker](#), even if you will not need to send your children to school at any point in the current lockdown. If you haven't yet done so, please email office.3250@hendreds.oxon.sch.uk to inform us if you are a critical worker.

If you are a critical worker and you need your child to attend school, please send an email to inform us when your child will be school. For some of you this may be

specific days following a shift pattern e.g. every Wednesday and Friday, whereas for others of you this might be specific dates e.g. on the 18th, the 21st and the 28th etc. Breakfast and Afterschool Club remain open for the children of critical workers.

If your child is coming to school because you are classed as a critical worker, **please only send your child to school on days when they cannot be cared for at home**. From an educational standpoint, we would love to have all of the eligible children in school every day but we have to prioritise our public health responsibility by keeping the number of children in school to a minimum and therefore reducing any potential to spread the virus.

The children in school will be completing the same work as the children who are working remotely. This is to ensure that the children experience a sequence of lessons whether they are in school or at home. i.e. if a child is only in school on Tuesday and Thursday, they still experience the sequence of lessons from Monday through to Friday.

Vulnerable Children I will be in contact with the parents of vulnerable children about their attendance during this period.

Free School Meals We will notify you of the arrangements with regards to free school meals once these have been finalised.

Best wishes



Mr. J. Veness