## The Downs Primary School and Nursery

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## Dear Parent / Carer

Following the announcement from the government on Wednesday 30th December we can confirm that Harlow is on the list of areas where primary schools must close. Therefore we will only be opening school to the children of Critical Workers and Vulnerable Children from Tuesday 5th January. All other children from Nursery through to Year 6 will be provided with remote learning from their class teacher via Teams and more details will be sent to you on Monday 4th January.

If you are a family where both parents are critical workers (or you are a single parent who is a critical worker) and you need to access our critical worker support please email <u>admin@downs.essex.sch.uk</u>

You will need to tell us details of your roles as a critical worker and which days you are working and require your child/children to be in school. As teachers will be running remote learning classes, our key worker rooms will be run by our team of Support staff.

At the moment we do not plan to open Breakfast club.

We will provide Critical Worker parents with more information about our organisation on Monday 4th January. Below is a link to the latest advice on Critical Workers.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educationalprovision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision

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