

# Aylesford School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Although we are totally committed to remaining open for all those in our community who are entitled to send their children to school, the unprecedented demand from key workers is placing very severe pressure on our primary classes and staff.

Indeed, it has now reached the point where we will need to ask for your help to ensure we are able to maintain the current high standards of education and safety.

From this weekend we will be asking that if you are employed in a critical occupation to re-register online at <https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/KeyWorkerAttendanceBooking> if you wish your child to continue attending primary school classes. In addition, we would request that you consider the latest government guidance that “**critical workers should keep their children at home if they can**” and only send your child into school if there is absolutely no alternative.

The school maintains some discretion in this matter and we may ask for further identification or clarification from an employer to confirm key worker status.

A full range of learning activities are being provided online by our staff for all students and there is support available from the school for any family without adequate access to a computer.

It very important to note that children identified as vulnerable must continue to attend school and in their case no re-registration is required.

We appreciate that the current lockdown arrangements make it very difficult for all of us to maintain a satisfactory balance between work and home life. However, by helping us to efficiently manage the numbers of students attending our primary school you will also be limiting the transmission of the COVID-19 virus and making a vital contribution to the health of everyone in our local community.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding in these very difficult times.

Yours faithfully



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