

BRONTË HOUSE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Following tonight's Government announcement, I am extremely sad to say that we are left with no choice but to close the physical doors of the School with immediate effect and switch to our remote learning program for all pupils in Reception and above. **Our understanding is that our Pre-Nursery and Nursery Provision remains unaffected at this time and is accessible to all families tomorrow.**

Building on the success of Seesaw last term, we have been working hard to diversify our remote learning provision for children in Reception to Year 6 in the event of a bubble collapse or whole school lockdown due to Covid-19. Whilst Seesaw remains our primary platform for the posting and submission of work, live daily teaching will now be included in our English and maths provision using Zoom video conferencing technology. Details of the programme can be accessed through the link below.

[Brontë House Remote Learning | Woodhouse Grove School](#)

In line with Government guidance, we will provide on-site learning provision for Vulnerable Children and the Children of Critical Workers from tomorrow morning, Tuesday 5th January.

The provision will be in a supervised environment where children falling into the categories of vulnerable or whose parents are Critical Workers will join their peers, who remain at home, in completing the remote learning programme.

School will be open from 08:00am and all pupils should be collected by 4:30pm. A light lunch will be provided. Children should attend in school PE kit and with a school coat.

The Government criteria for pupils considered Vulnerable and children of Critical Workers can be accessed via this link - [Critical Workers and Vulnerable Children](#)

We would ask that parents of pupils who are considering making use of the on-site provision, refer to this link prior to completing the survey below, to ensure we are doing all we can to safely and effectively manage the numbers in school.

For those parents who are Critical Workers wishing their children to be in school, or for those with Vulnerable children, please complete the survey for each child requiring the provision; this can be accessed via this link - [On-site Provision survey for Critical Workers and Vulnerable Children](#)

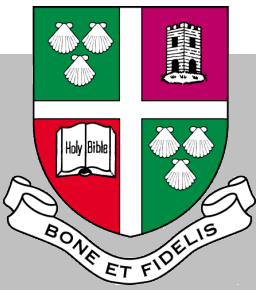
We would request that this is completed by 10pm this evening so that we have an understanding of how many children to expect in school tomorrow. Unless it is vital to your work commitments that your child attends school tomorrow, we would ask that you keep them at home for the day. Schools have received no prior warning of tonight's announcement. All staff will be in school tomorrow, planning for a full rollout of the remote learning program on Wednesday 6th January.

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Tomorrow, Tuesday 5th January, there will be a number of learning activities posted on Seesaw for the children to access from 10am. The platforms will not be manned by class teachers as they will be either in meetings or adapting their lesson materials to make them suitable for Zoom and Seesaw. From the following day, Wednesday 6th January, we will go 'live' with a full complement of remote learning provision.

Families whose children will not be accessing this on-site provision do not need to complete the survey.

Please contact your child's class teacher if you have any problems accessing Seesaw and please ensure that you read the 'Brontë: Live and in your House' document, particularly the Online Learner Agreement, so that the children are ready for lessons on Wednesday morning.

Thank you for your support at this very challenging time.

With best wishes,

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