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Principal: Mrs Sheila McKeown

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Key worker parents requiring care provision:

Many parents working in the identified key workers list will be able to ensure that their child is kept at home.

EVERY CHILD WHO CAN BE SAFELY CARED FOR AT HOME SHOULD BE.

There is no requirement for identified key worker parents to take up this offer or send their children to school if they do not wish to.

Any children previously withdrawn from school on the basis of risk **should not return.**

Only children with **BOTH** parents working as Key Workers and only when both parents are working **AT THE SAME TIME** should their children attend school.

In single parent families, the main carer **MUST** be a Key Worker and be required at work.

Every alternative childcare arrangement should be explored before deciding to send children to school. School should, in effect, be a **LAST RESORT**. This is in order to comply with general public health advice on social distancing.

Wrap around services will not be available and schools will only be open for normal school hours.

Children who refuse to attend school must not be forced to do so. Schools cannot be expected to accept responsibility for those children that present a flight risk.

There will be no nurse or medical support available in schools.

Provision of any level of service will be dependent on staff availability and the school may have to be closed if this becomes a problem.

If you are a key worker and believe that you may need to avail of this reduced provision and believe you are eligible, please contact the school immediately via email:
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