



Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior School
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"A caring, supportive community, grounded in a Christian ethos, where children are inspired to explore their potential and develop skills for life."

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5th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As announced by the Prime Minister yesterday evening, all schools are now closed to the vast majority of children from Tuesday 5th January 2021, with the exception of children whose parents/carers are critical workers to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) response and children who are considered 'Vulnerable'. Please be aware Critical Workers are considered parents/carers whose work is critical to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) response.

Children with at least one parent/carer who is critical to the COVID-19 response can attend school if required. However, many parents working in these critical sectors will be able to ensure their child is kept at home. **Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.**

Guidance on what professions are considered Critical to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) response children who are considered 'Vulnerable' is outlined here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

Please respond to this survey by **Tuesday 5th January by 2.00pm**. This is so staffing can be arranged for children who need it by tomorrow.

The survey can be found here: [Critical Worker Status and children who are still able to attend school Survey](#)

Please be aware you can only add one child to the survey at a time. If more than one of your children attend Queen Eleanor's, you will need to complete the survey for every child who attends the school.

If your child is eligible to attend school but you do not want them to attend at this time, please do not complete the survey. The survey is only for families who intend to send their children in from tomorrow (Wednesday 6th January).

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

Kind Regards,

The School Office.