



Thriftwood

School and College

website: www.thriftwoodschool.com

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Dear Parents / Carers

Following on from yesterday's announcements regarding schools I am writing to update you on our current position.

As advised by the government schools should make provision available to pupils who have an EHCP, have parents who are key workers and/or are vulnerable. Following this information Thriftwood School and College will continue to be open to pupils, however, as you will appreciate this is a dynamic situation and is dependent on staff being well enough to attend. To help us to plan effectively we are asking parents and carers to update us with the following information:

- Let us know if you fall into the category of keyworker (e.g. health care worker, teacher)
- Indicate if you think you will be keeping your child at home during this period of time (if you elect to do this there will be no impact on your child's attendance record)

Please either send an email to admin@thriftwoodschool.com or telephone school.

If you choose to keep your child at home we will support their learning through the provision of learning resource packs and the learning zone which can be accessed via the school's website.

Once further planning has taken place we will be in a position to share the offer of support that will be available; we will do this as soon as possible.

We are discussing how teachers will maintain contact with pupils and families – we will share this information with you as soon as we are in a position to do so.

Please note this is a national situation – as you may have heard in the news – so while it is challenging, we are not alone. As soon as we are able to return to full educational provision we will let you know via email and the school website.

This is as much as we know right now and we appreciate your continued patience as we deal with this ever-changing situation. We understand this may have an impact on your family; we will continue to keep in touch with updates as it develops.

If you want to get in touch to share concerns, please do not hesitate to do so via email or telephone:

And remember: if you or your child feels ill and you want to know what to do next you can go to

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> or contact [NHS 111](https://111.nhs.uk/) online

Thank you for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information when we can.

Yours sincerely

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