

Cheswardine Primary and Nursery School

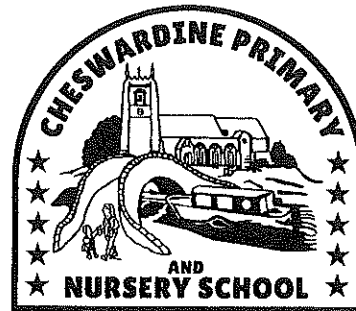
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Reach for the Stars

19th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Goldstone Federation: Response to Closure and provision for Key Workers:

At this time provision for all key worker children across the Federation will take place at Hinstock Primary School and Hedgehogs Nursery. This is because Hinstock is better placed for transport links, wraparound care and the use of kitchen facilities.

Free School Meals will be available to pick up from Hinstock's school office for children who are entitled from either school. (Weekly notice would be very much appreciated)

Hinstock will be open for children of key workers, children with EHCPs and Looked After Children throughout the school day and with some flexibility around before and after school care depending on need. We are waiting to see who needs this facility and how best to accommodate them. For the first week we will make sure full Wraparound Care is facilitated as it may well have been paid for already by key workers.

So for the week beginning the 23rd March Hinstock School will be open from 7:30am to 5:45pm for the children of key workers.

Decisions about opening times for the following week will be taken half way through next week, according to need. Everything changes so frequently presently it is hard to predict too far into the future but please be assured we will be doing all we can to keep the school open for vulnerable children and the children of keyworkers throughout the term. Easter holiday provision will be on the cards but is not confirmed as yet.

There will be sporting activities available for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday throughout the week and children will be taught together by a rota of teachers and support assistants. Forest School will also take place at least twice in the week. School meals will be available next week so the children can choose on a daily basis from the menu and pay as normal or bring in packed lunches if they so wish. KS1 children still will not have to pay for their school meal.

As soon as it is clarified who the key workers actually are we will send out the list and you can contact us as to whether you will need to use our facility. For any children who are presently in isolation but are a child of a key worker you are entitled to contact the school as soon as the period of isolation is over and your child can return to school. Letting us know you are a key worker beforehand will be crucial please.

Some unanswered questions are:

- apart from NHS workers, police officers and food delivery drivers, who is a key worker



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- if you are a two parent family can you access the service if only one of you is a key worker.

We await clarification from the government on these issues.

For everyone else the school will close tomorrow at the end of wraparound care and will open when told we should do so by the government. Letters detailing curriculum provision and activities to be done will be sent out today and tomorrow from each teacher.

Wishing you and your family all the best in these troubling times.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Rachael Williams (Executive Headteacher) and the Governors of Goldstone Federation.



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