

St. Werburgh's Church of England (Voluntary Aided) Primary School



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Dear Parents,

Firstly, thank you for bearing with us following the announcement on Monday evening and the subsequent very short timescale we had to put plans in place. I was very keen for school to be open on Tuesday to help as many parents as possible, so together with the admin team I was in school until midnight in order to let parents have information as quickly as we could (sorry it was so late at night for some!) There were a number of elements, including our capacity and staffing availability which had to be considered.

We have received a large number of requests for places to assess, and unfortunately have not been able to agree to them all at present. We will keep the position under review and contact parents if the situation changes.

Please bear in mind the following;

- The primary aim of the lockdown is to reduce transmission of COVID, the main advice is to 'stay at home'. ***NEW*** Children who have been given a place in school should only attend where there is **no alternative** for them to remain at home (although we are asking for them to attend full days when they need to be in, arriving at 9am and being picked up at 3.20pm). Please help us to protect the children, together with the safety and wellbeing of staff in school.
- At school, we are currently providing 'childcare' for your child(ren), whilst you, as a critical worker are at work. We are not providing an 'education' in the usual way, and a child in school will be accessing the same remote learning as a child at home.

Please understand that we are doing our very best to be fair to everyone, we appreciate that times are very difficult for us all but rest assured that we are on your side.

Stay safe and look after each other; I sincerely look forward to the day I can welcome all of our school family back to St Werburgh's once more.

Kind regards

Ann Alton
Head Teacher

