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Dear Parents/Carers

Since the Government announcement on Monday, we have been inundated with an incredibly high demand in the request for Critical Worker Provision.

We completely understand your frustrations and agree that balancing remote learning for children is not ideal or easy for anyone, especially when we have work commitments to juggle too.

However, as you know, the Government (following scientific advice) have asked schools to close to further limit the spread of COVID-19. If children can stay at home, we must support one another by staying at home which is the safest place for them.

Abbots Green is open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. The fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect the wider society.

If you feel that your family qualifies for Critical Worker provision, please email the school office by 12 noon tomorrow (Thursday 7th January 2021). Any application that is received after this time will not be guaranteed a place. For further guidance on this please visit:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision

We continue to work towards establishing Critical Worker provision (presently over 100 families) and strive as a school to balance this with the commitment to remote learning for all of our families.

By the end of the week, I look forward to sharing with you plans for further developments with regards to our online learning as well as clarification on Critical Worker provision from next week, once we have finalised exact numbers of pupils.

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

Mrs A Morrison















