



Emergency Provision at Great Holland's Primary School

As a country, we all need to do what we can to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus. **Please follow the social distancing advice from the government and take this virus seriously.**

That is why the government has given clear guidance on self-isolation, household isolation and social distancing. The most recent scientific advice on how to further limit the spread of COVID-19 is clear.

If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.

That is why the government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open only for those children who absolutely need to attend. The fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.

Arrangements for Great Holland's Primary School

If your child **absolutely needs to attend the school** you **must** respond to the school's messages and surveys (there may be several of them) so that we are able to plan for the safe operation of the school.

- From Monday please enter the school site using the playground gate as normal and head to the KS1 playground.
- Children in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 will enter through the white door into Silver Hall.
- Children in Years 3-6 will enter through the Corridor Door between Year 3 and Year 2.

As a school we are struggling to offer this emergency provision and I need to remind you that you must only send your child in if it is **absolutely necessary**, we cannot accommodate key worker children who can be cared for safely elsewhere.

You may be required to **provide evidence** from your employer to identify your role and that you are not able to work from home. This should be provided directly to us as soon as possible if requested.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their kind words and supportive actions in these difficult times. The staffing team at GHPS have been amazing and I want to express my huge gratitude to all of the team here for what they have been doing and what they are being asked to continue to do.

Finally, if you are a key worker, stepping up and putting yourself out there on the front line, from all of us thank you, it is through dedicated people like yourselves that we will navigate our way safely through this crisis.

Kind regards

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