

## TSAT Childcare provision

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you know, the government has asked schools to provide childcare for key workers and vulnerable children who cannot make alternative arrangements for childcare. Government guidance states:

**“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.”

Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education has stated “You should only send your child to school on Monday if you have to, because your work is critical to our COVID-19 response. **If you are able to keep your child at home, you should.**”

Full guidance for parents can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

In essence, we are offering childcare of last resort for key workers and vulnerable children, wherever possible children should remain at home.

We also need to be very open about our ability to meet the guidance on social distancing. Whilst every effort will be made to deliver this provision in a way that meets the current government guidance on social distancing, parents and carers should be aware that in a school setting this is not possible to guarantee. For example, **it will be impossible to provide assurances around maintaining 2 meter distance from others and touching surfaces that would not have been potentially contaminated by others.**

Childcare will be provided by a range of adults including teachers, teaching assistants and support staff. Adults supervising your child will change from day to day as we manage staff absence and our need to provide resources and distance learning opportunities for the students at home.

Obviously, you should continue to follow government guidance on self-isolation in the event of your child or any of your household exhibiting symptoms of Coronavirus. In the event of you child displaying symptoms you will be contacted and required to pick up your child immediately. They will then be expected to self-isolate, along with the household for 14 days.

Finally, as we provide childcare at this time we will expect children attending to maintain appropriate behaviour. We will, of course, work with children to support their behaviour, however, **should a child's behaviour be disruptive, unmanageable or unsafe then the offer of provision will be withdrawn.** The lead professional for the site will make this decision and this decision will be final.

Please complete the form below to register your child for childcare and sign to confirm that you have read and understood this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sara Paine

Headteacher

**TSAT child care registration form**

Child's name:		Year Group:	
Parent/ carer name		Emergency contact number:	
Parent/ carer name		Emergency contact number:	

Please provide details of any allergies / Medications we need to be aware of:

Please provide details of collection/ home-time arrangements for the end of the day.  
My child will:

Be collected	Walk home	Bus	Train

If your child is being collected please provide full names and contact information of the person/s allocated to collect your child

Full name:	Contact number:

<b>Proof of key worker status (eg ID badge):</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

I have read and understood the letter titled "TSAT childcare provision".

I understand that:

- **This is childcare of last resort** and is only available for key workers and vulnerable children.
- **This provision cannot guarantee maintaining social distancing** recommendations.
- **My child's place maybe withdrawn if their behaviour is not appropriate.** The lead professional's decision in this matter is final.
- **If anyone in my household exhibits symptoms of Coronavirus they will not attend for 14 days.**
- **If my child exhibits any symptoms of the Coronavirus they will not be able to attend for 14 days.**
- **If my child exhibits any symptoms of the Coronavirus whilst in childcare they will be isolated and I will be asked to pick them up immediately.**

Parent / carer signature:	Date:
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School stamp:	Date:
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