

## **School Closure Notice**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware, the government has now once again advised that all schools should close due to rising infection rates of Covid-19. School will be closed to all children except those who are vulnerable and eligible for key worker provision from **tomorrow**, **Tuesday 5**<sup>th</sup> **January**. All other children will continue to learn remotely in line with our policies.

As I'm sure you can appreciate this announcement has come incredibly late today. However, everyone's well-being and safety remains our priority and so we will continue to work in line with Government guidance to ensure the best for our children, families and staff.

We hope everyone understands that due to this incredibly late announcement, school requires some time and support from our whole community to re-organise for this change in provision. As a school, we will be using tomorrow to adjust to these new circumstances.

We are therefore asking *all parents* to support school at this time by keeping all children at home tomorrow. Only in <u>exceptional circumstances</u> when no other child care is open to you, if you require <u>emergency key worker</u> <u>emergency care</u>, should you send your child to school tomorrow.

In the exceptional circumstance that as a *key worker*, you *do not have any child care provision for tomorrow*, please send an email into school tonight to *bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk* to inform us of this. Please state your child's name, year group and your job role. This exceptional provision will be for tomorrow only.

Tomorrow, parents will be sent full information on how to apply for our full key worker provision from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January. We are fully aware that people's situations may have changed since the last time this provision was offered in the summer. We need to evaluate this provision thoroughly in light of the change of circumstances and government guidance and full details will be sent out tomorrow.

Class teachers will be sending Maths and English for the children **tomorrow** via **class Dojo** together with full details of how full remote learning will take place during this unprecedented lockdown.

This continues to be a truly set of exceptional set of circumstances for school and our society and we hope that everyone appreciates that we are doing our very best to support all of the children in continuing their learning at this time. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family well at this challenging time and ask that as a community we continue to support each other as we have these last 10 months and work together under the government guidance to ensure the best for everyone. Any concerns should please be sent to the school e-mail address as normal: <a href="mailto:bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk">bursar@aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk</a>.

I ask everyone to continue to check our school website regularly for updates and as a school we will continue to use our School Spider App to send out relevant messages.

Mr D Kennedy

Headteacher