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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the list of key workers who may be eligible to send pupils to school during the closures has been released we are now in a position to update you on our offer at James Bateman.

The school will be open 9.00-3.00pm Monday to Friday and this will be the case for the next two weeks. As you can appreciate the picture is ever changing and therefore we will review regularly.

The list of key workers is attached. Please note that the document says: **“Many parents working in these sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. And every child who can be safely cared for at home should be.”** I understand this is a very challenging situation for parents, however we must, as a community, work together to maintain social distance where possible. We hope to keep numbers to a minimum in order to reduce the risk of infection and the spread of infection to our community.

Therefore please email our office@jamesbateman.staffs.sch.uk mailbox ONLY if you cannot arrange for your child to be safely cared for at home and are one of the key workers. We must know in advance if your child is attending in order to ensure the safety and well-being of pupils. Unfortunately we will not be able to accommodate pupils who turn up without prior notice.

In your email, please include your child's name, your job, and whether you require a school lunch or will send a packed lunch (please note that from Monday school will only be able to provide packed lunches not hot meals). You will be asked for evidence of your current employment status.

Kind regards

Tracy Price
Headteacher