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Dear Parents and Carers,

We write further to recently updated government guidance for primary schools in our local area. Please read this information carefully.

### **School Closure:**

As you will probably be aware, due to the prevalence of Covid-19 infections in our local area, the government has instructed all primary schools in the district of Maidstone to **remain closed until January 18<sup>th</sup>**. Therefore, **we will not be reopening to children on Monday January 4<sup>th</sup>, so please do not send your child to school.**

As with the previous period of school closures, all South Borough pupils should access their learning via Google Classroom. Work will be available from 5<sup>th</sup> January and your child's teacher will be in contact with you soon to offer help and support with remote learning.

### **Critical Workers:**

As from **Monday 4th January**, we will be able to offer in-school places to the children of critical workers. If you consider yourself a critical worker and you wish to send your child to school, please complete this [Google form](#) by following the link. We will then be in contact to confirm the details of your child's place. **You will not be able to send your child to school unless you have completed this form and we have confirmed a place for your child.**

Please note, this provision is only for children of critical workers, who are **unable** to keep their children safe at home. If you are able to keep your child safe at home, you should do so and not send your children to school.

To start with there will be **no Breakfast or After School Club available.**

### **Vulnerable Children:**

As from **Monday 4th January**, we will offer an in-school place to all vulnerable children. **If you are the parent or carer of a vulnerable child, we will soon be in contact with you by telephone to arrange a place for your child.**

We thank you for your patience and support in these challenging times, and despite these difficult circumstances, wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

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