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Re: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Further to NHP’s communication yesterday about providing childcare for children whose parents are key workers and providing childcare for vulnerable children. The government have now issued guidelines for Schools and nurseries to follow in providing these places and have produced information for parent and carers, please click the link below.

[Closure of educational settings: information for parents and carers](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers?utm_source=3af9bd53-8b24-49d0-92be-34d607ef773a&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

All our NHP nurseries have considered the guidance in the link and nursery staff will be contacting all the parents of vulnerable children as outlined in the guidance today and will be confirming they can still attend nursery.

With regards to Parents who have jobs as key workers, please click the link to read the government guidance. To determine if your role is listed as a key worker, when you click the link if you scroll down to 4.1 there is another link you can click that lists critical roles.

Children with at least one parent who is identified as in a critical role by the government can continue to attend our nurseries.

As stated in the guidance if you think your role falls within the critical categories outlined in the link, you should confirm with your employer that, based on their business continuity arrangements, your specific role is necessary for the continuation of your employers essential public service.

Once you have had this confirmation from your employer, please contact nursery directly who will take some details from you about your role and employer and will be able to confirm a place.

For nursery parents who don’t fit any of the above criteria, your child will not be able to attend nursery as previously informed. Please still click the link to the guidance as there is some useful information for all parents and carer’s about closure of educational settings.

For those parents whose children will not be attending until further notice from Monday. We will be contacting you very soon to discuss refund options for March fees and any fees you may have paid in advance for April. Nursery staff will be aiming to keep in contact with you all weekly and offer any support we can. Please also look out for activity ideas on our Facebook pages. We will contact you if there are any changes of government information around closures of nurseries. Please keep looking on our website and Facebook pages for any updates.

Senior Nursery staff and Managers will be happy to support you all with any queries you may have so please do not hesitate to contact your nursery directly, we want to offer our families as much support we can in these challenging times.

Kind Regards

Tina Burke

(Chief Executive)

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