

4th January 2021

Dear Parents,

I am writing this letter in light of tonight's news that we will be implementing contingency planning across the Trust with effect from tomorrow morning (5th January). We received no advance notice of this announcement but have been preparing various contingency planning in the background.

What this announcement means is that Kirk Fenton school will be closed from tomorrow morning until further notice, notionally February half-term, and will be moving to remote learning for all pupils apart from:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of Critical Workers

These prioritised pupils will be facilitated to attend on-site full time education with timings as now. Only these pupils may attend on site.

For all other pupils, we will deliver remote learning in accordance with the Trust Remote Learning Policy which has been recently updated and can be found [HERE](#). As teachers will need some time to see how many children are in school and how many will be remote learning and planning accordingly, remote learning will start in the next couple of days. Login and access details will be re-sent to all pupils so that they can access provision.

Please watch out for any additional guidance and information from your child's teacher which will give additional guidance to help you access remote learning, access technology and support should you encounter difficulty or apply for Free School Meals, during this closure period.

If you believe you are eligible for vulnerable pupil/Critical Worker pupil provision, then please complete the attached application form as a matter of urgency and return it to the school office at admin@kf.starmat.uk. Only those children with completed forms will be allowed on site.

This has been a turbulent beginning to the term but I trust that within the next few days we should be able to establish every pupil with a secure learning offer whether that be on-site or remote learning and do our very best in partnership with parents to secure educational continuity in these most problematic times.

As always, the situation continues to change almost daily and we are doing all we can to ensure the children and staff are safe and supported, but please do ask if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes,

Karen Williams
Headteacher