



Covid Eastlea update



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Good evening everyone! I'm sure like me you have listened to the latest government update this evening which which has changed considerably since the information we were given at the end of last week.

Unbelievable!

Having worked so hard to put plans in place to ensure Eastlea remained open for all pupils from tomorrow it is now clear that those plans are having to completely change. **I feel I have to apologise for the late change in direction, but I'm sure you are aware that this was totally out of our hands!**

From Tuesday 5th January Eastlea can now only be open for the children of critical/key workers and those deemed to be vulnerable (*families supported by a social worker, those with an Education, Health and Care Plan for SEND, or children in care (LAC) or with a special guardianship order (SGO) etc.*)

Therefore we have to ask that:

1. You keep your child at home if you are not a critical/key worker or the parent/carer of a vulnerable child.
2. If your child does fall into the vulnerable/key worker category and you have no alternative means of providing childcare for them tomorrow, then they can come into school at the usual times. **Please can you let your child's class teacher know via Taestry/Seesaw if your child will need to be in school.**

During tomorrow we will more calmly be able to support families who need time to sort out the huge logistical nightmare of supervising their children at home and getting to grips with online / remote learning. We can also clarify what the requirements will be on a day to day basis for any who need to be in school.

Thank you for your patience in these difficult circumstances, and rest assured that we will do all we can to sort things out effectively for you and your children in the coming weeks.

Please stay safe take care!

Miss E Beeston, Head Teacher

