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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the announcement last night, Bilsdale and Carlton & Faceby Schools will only be open for children of Critical Workers, vulnerable children, and Pre-School as of tomorrow.

If your child is in Pre-School or you believe your child to fall within either the vulnerable or critical worker category and require your child to attend school from Wednesday 6th January, please email admin@carltonfaceby.n-yorks.sch.uk, stating your child's name, class and the reason they need to attend (either because they are in Pre-School, vulnerable or which category of critical worker you fall within).

The Government classes vulnerable children as children who:

- are assessed as being in need under section 17 of the Children Act 1989, including children and young people who have a child in need plan, a child protection plan, or who are a looked-after child
- have an education, health and care (EHC) plan
- have been identified as otherwise vulnerable by educational providers or local authorities (including children's social care services), and who could therefore benefit from continued full-time attendance, this might include:
- children and young people on the edge of receiving support from children's social care services
- adopted children
- those living in temporary accommodation, those who are young carers
- those who may have difficulty engaging with remote education at home (for example, due to a lack of devices or quiet space to study)
- others at the provider and local authority's discretion

The Government class children of critical workers as those having parents or carers whose work is critical to the coronavirus (COVID-19) response, including those who work in health and social care and in other key sectors outlined in the following link:

 $\frac{\text{https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintainingeducational-provision#critical-workers$

Today we are collecting information regarding numbers of children requiring places in school in order to formulate an effective plan to ensure we maintain minimal contact between bubbles. Unfortunately, there will be no breakfast club or after school club until further notice.

RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN LEARNING FROM HOME

From today, teachers will be uploading daily work online. The first day or two of being educated remotely might look different from our standard approach, while we take all necessary actions to prepare for a longer period of remote teaching. Please ensure that your child logs on and completes the work every day. If you do not have a device or access to the internet, or if you have lost your login details, please inform your class teacher to let them know what support you need. Everything you need can be accessed via our website:

http://bilsdalecarltonschools.co.uk/, Tapestry, via MS Teams and email. On our website you will also find our Remote Learning Action Plan and Policy: http://bilsdalecarltonschools.co.uk/children/remote-learning/

On pages three and four you will find our **expectations for remote learning**. The government expects schools to ensure all children engage with remote learning at this time.

In order to support your child's learning at home, we will be providing a pack for you to collect from school and take home. Children who are being educated in school will not be receiving a pack.

For pupils in Years 1-6 the pack will contain:

- Their White Rose Maths workbook which is essential for Maths lessons (this must be returned to school once school reopens)
- Pack of spellings for this half-term
- An exercise book for children to complete written tasks in
- A reading book appropriate for their level
- A pencil
- Other resources if needed.

For pupils in Pre-School and Reception the pack will contain:

- An exercise book
- A writing pencil
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Coloured pencils.

COLLECTION OF PACKS

Class teachers will email you with your collection time. We respectfully ask you to wear a mask when you collect your pack.

If you are unable to collect a pack due to self-isolation and another parent is collecting it on your behalf, please let us know as we will not give your child's pack out to someone else without your consent.

I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of your child's learning at this challenging time.

Best wishes,

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