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Critical Worker Places

Dear Parents and Carers,

In the first instance thank you for all your support and well done for supporting your child at home with their learning.

As of Wednesday, our school has been open to the children of critical workers and vulnerable children only and there has certainly been a significant increase in the number of places requested than we had during the restricted opening last year.

We are doing all that we can in school to make our environment safe, keeping bubbles small, limiting the number contacts, allowing for social distancing where possible and more frequent cleaning. Presently, as you are aware, in the short term we have a number of key staff who are absent from school for a number of reasons and this is causing some difficulties, because we are such a small school.

I appreciate that many families are juggling shift patterns and arranging childcare bubbles in order that they send their child in as little as possible to school, and for that I thank you. We are happy to accommodate this and the changing days that you may require. **However, can I please ask that you do not send your child to school if you do not absolutely need to, especially in the shorter term.**

Our remote offer, as outlined in my previous letter, is comprehensive and we have many mechanisms in place to remove barriers to accessing this such as loaning of devices, technical support and internet data.

I would appreciate if parents of pupils who have attended school this week could consider their needs following this information and contact the school by Monday to let us know your requirements for the coming week if there are any changes.

Please email headteacher@manorhill.staffs.sch.uk to confirm your requirements.

Thank you for all your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Roden

Headteacher

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