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Dear Parents & Carers,

As you may be aware, on 30 December 2020 the government announced that in order to help contain the community transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19), some restrictions to primary education settings are required in certain areas. **Ealing has been identified as one of the many boroughs where these restrictions will apply** and therefore, school will **NOT** open from 6th January as previously planned (4th & 5th are INSET days).

The guidance for Primary schools says: "**Primary schools should only allow children of critical workers and those defined as vulnerable to attend**". As part of this, we are also going to be inviting all pupils with an EHCP to attend school.

If you are a [Critical Worker](#), please complete the following online survey by Sunday 3rd January 2021 at the latest: <https://forms.gle/dDAzZg4fJQRTV2Sf6>

All other pupils will learn at home using **Google Classroom** and other online tools:

- We are likely to use a blended learning approach. This includes some daily live lessons with teachers and tasks on Google Classroom which will be marked regularly.
- Pupils learning at home and those in school will broadly follow the same taught curriculum with a focus on Phonics, Reading, Writing & Maths skills.
- Some teachers will be working in school so that we can support children of critical workers and those who are vulnerable. All other teachers will support children learning at home. This might mean your child is working with a different teacher at home or in school.

What happens next?

- **If your child is eligible for a place, you will be contacted by phone on Monday 4th January.**
- **If your child is not attending school, they need to access remote learning from home. A timetable will be emailed to you by Tuesday 5th January. Attendance is expected as it is in school. Our restrictions on paper learning remain in place due to the increased risk of the new Covid variant.**
- **Arrangements will be made for children who are not attending school, but are eligible for free school meals.**

We initially expect these restrictions to take place during the first 2 weeks of term until 18th January, but will update you if and when government guidance changes.

While we understand these last minute changes are challenging for everyone, we know that the Woodlands community can and will work together to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, staff and parents. We appreciate your support in implementing these changes and would like to remind you that the **school is still contactable via phone and email during this period. Parents & Carers must remain outside of the school gates at all times.**

We would like to wish all our families a very Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Magan & Ms Hasker
Acting Co-Headteachers



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