

## St Pancras Catholic Primary School

### Frequently asked questions

#### 1) Who are critical workers?

##### **Health and social care**

*This includes but is not limited to doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.*

##### **Education and childcare**

*This includes nursery and teaching staff, social workers and those specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach.*

##### **Key public services**

*This includes those essential to the running of the justice system, religious staff, charities and workers delivering key frontline services, those responsible for the management of the deceased, and journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting.*

##### **Local and national government**

*This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the COVID-19 response or delivering essential public services such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arms length bodies.*

##### **Food and other necessary goods**

*This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines).*

##### **Public safety and national security**

*This includes police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic), fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff, those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas.*

##### **Transport**

*This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.*

#### 2) Do both parents need to be critical workers to send my children to school?

*No, children with at least one parent or carer who are identified as critical workers by the government can send their children to school, if absolutely necessary.*

#### 3) Is my child counted as a vulnerable child? Vulnerable children include those who have a social worker and those with education, health and care (EHC) plans. Children who have a social worker include children in need, children who have a child protection plan and those who are looked after by the local authority. We will work with schools, early years, FE providers and local authorities to help identify the children who most need support at this time.

- 4) **When will the school be open?** *The school gates will open at 08:40am, with the usual registration time of 08:55am and the school day will end at 3:15pm.*
- 5) **Will there will breakfast and after school clubs?** *No, the school will only operate within core hours of 08:40am to 3:15pm.*
- 6) **Will there be assemblies?** *Assemblies will be held daily within the classroom.*
- 7) **Will we receive work for home learning?** *Every Monday the class teacher will email work for the week ahead, this will include answers so you are able to mark/check the work at home. The staff are also in the process of updating their class pages on our website with links for home learning.*
- 8) **My child has an EHCP, what will their provision be?** *Where programmes are already put in place for children and they are currently receiving this in school by school staff, this will continue where staffing ratios allow.*
- 9) **Will parent consultation phone calls go ahead?** *No, all parents will receive a short written progress report by the Easter holidays.*