

20 March 2020

Dear parent/carer,

Today's arrangements and important key worker info

School remains open to students in Years 7, 10 and 11 today.

- There will be a Year 10 assembly at 08.45 today.
- There will be a Year 7 assembly at 11.15 today.
- Students in Year 8 who need support in getting the Weduc app set up should report to reception between 10.00 and 12.15.
- Students in Year 9 who need support in getting the Weduc app set up should report to reception between 12.15 and 14.30.

Are you a key worker?

The government has now published the full list of those people who count as key workers. The full list is below.

If you or your partner does one of these jobs and you wish to send your child to school in the coming weeks please contact us. Preferably send us an email to: <u>g.simmons@westfield-chorustrust.org</u>. If you don't have access to email you can call us on 0114 248 5221. Please provide the following information:

- Name and form of child.
- Yours or your partner's job.
- Whether you need childcare during the Easter holiday period.

If you have already contacted us about this there is no need to do so again.

We will then send you information about next week's arrangements later today.

List of key worker roles:

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

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the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributers 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 arm's 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.

Utilities, communication and financial services

This includes staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure), the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage), information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response, as well as key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services), postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.

If workers think they fall within the critical categories above they should confirm with their employer that, based on their business continuity arrangements, their specific role is necessary for the continuation of this essential public service.

Thank you for your continued support at this difficult time and for the many messages of support we have received. They are very much appreciated!

Take care,

Mr Joe Birkbeck Head of Westfield School