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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following on from Glapton's Update 1 20th March, we have just received the following information from the Trust:

This childcare provision will be in place to support key workers who are 'on shift' during the times the school will be open. As a result, you may not receive 5 days of childcare support each week. Information related to shift patterns will be needed to confirm eligibility.

This is an unprecedented moment in our national life, and we realise everyone is concerned. However, under no circumstance should you send your child into school unless you are able to demonstrate your clear need for this childcare provision.

We are working hard to try to ensure we can safely and effectively staff such provision. If we find ourselves in a position that we are unable to do this, current government guidance is that you should contact the local authority, who will be able to find you a school that is able to provide support. As such, we will be applying very strict evidential criteria to ensure we prioritise childcare for families most needed by our country at this time.

Please do not treat this provision as convenient childcare and adhere to the principles of social distancing wherever possible following government advice. If this advice is not taken seriously, our own workforce may not be available to support those key workers who really need to be in their posts keeping our country safe.

Thank you for your support in enabling us to provide for those who do need this provision.

Kind regards Glapton