



# William Torbitt Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware the government yesterday announced their decision to delay the start of Spring term for Primary Schools in specific areas of the country where cases of Coronavirus are high, this includes Primary Schools in Redbridge.

The current guidance and advice is that this will be in place for the first two weeks of the Spring Term. The government plan is to review this guidance before the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2021.

School will remain open to children of critical workers (previously known as keyworkers) and vulnerable children. Work will be available online for all other children via DB Primary from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Please see attached guidance for further information on the critical worker list that was released at the start of December 2020.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

In order to minimise the number of children in school and to keep our whole school community as safe as possible, the school are requesting that **both parents** in a joint parent household, or **one parent** in a single parent household, are employed in the occupations covered in the critical worker list and that proof of employment is provided in order to access a critical worker place at school.

We will accept copies/scans of photo ID badges and letters from employers and these can be sent to the school admin account at [covid@williamtorbitt.redbridge.sch.uk](mailto:covid@williamtorbitt.redbridge.sch.uk)

Please consider the following when making considerations around whether or not you need to access the critical worker provision:

- How many adults live in your home?
- Are they all working?
- How many of them are Critical Workers (in accordance with the list published on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020)?
- What Critical Worker roles do they have?
- Do you need the school to be open for your child?

The school will continue to provide breakfast club and after school club provision for any critical worker child/ren or vulnerable child/ren who have previously accessed this provision during the Autumn Term 2020.

Please email us at [covid@williamtorbitt.redbridge.sch.uk](mailto:covid@williamtorbitt.redbridge.sch.uk) if you would like to take up the offer of a critical worker place at school by **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 12:00pm**.





Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we work together to provide the best for our children.

Kind regards

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Mrs Kettory

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Clare Pike'.

Mrs Pike

