

Dear Parent and Carer

**Application for Reduced Provision**  
**Key Workers: Getting the Information**

During the current COVID-19 Pandemic, schools will remain open but **only** for the children of those deemed essential workers, i.e. where parents **cannot** keep their children at home and **there is no other safe alternative** and for vulnerable children. This is to ensure that essential services can continue to function, whilst reducing the number of children travelling to school and in educational settings, to reduce the spread of the virus. Government advice is that "Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be".

**This is an offer to parents and carers and there is no requirement for parents and carers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so.**

Your school will contact you directly if your child is deemed vulnerable.

Please note that **provision will not be the normal education offer**. All our schools will do their best to provide continuity of learning for all children, whether at home or in school, but the provision in school is likely to be more akin to childcare than a normal timetable.

The list of key workers is attached. If you are a key worker, please complete the attached application and return it to your child's school **as soon as possible**, ideally today (Friday).

Please **do not** send your child in until we have received your form and contacted you about arrangements.

We are working to an incredibly tight timetable to turn this provision around and would ask everyone to show patience and understanding in this extremely challenging situation.

**IMPORTANT:**

- Pupils attending must be in full school uniform, as normal.
- Unless your child receives a Free School Meal, please ensure that they can buy something to eat in school or they bring in a packed lunch.
- The school day is as follows:

Blue Coat School	East Crompton St George's	Mayfield
Open from 8.00am for breakfast club. Provision starts at 8.45am Provision ends at 3.20pm	Provision starts 8.50am Provision ends at 3.15pm <b>* Where Key Workers normally access our wrap around care provision (from 7.30am - 5.30pm) we will endeavour to continue to provide *</b>	Open from 8.00am for breakfast club. Provision starts at 8.45am. Provision ends at 3.10pm.

**NB.** Pressures on staff mean that it is unlikely that any after-school clubs can be provided.

**Please note that on Day 1 (Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March), it is likely that only morning provision can be arranged, as we establish how great the need is.**

Details about Free School Meals have been outlined by each school.

## Application for Reduced Provision

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Form: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Key Worker in (please refer to the attached list) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Role/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Tel Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I am applying for a place in my child's school's reduced provision. I understand that this is only available to the children of key workers.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return the application to your child's school, as soon as possible:**

The Blue Coat School  
Egerton Street  
Oldham  
OL1 3SQ

Mayfield Primary School  
Mayfield Road  
Oldham  
OL1 4LG

East Crompton St George's  
George Street  
Shaw, Oldham  
OL2 8AX

**By MyEd Form**

**By Paper or by email to**  
[info@mayfield.oldham.sch.uk](mailto:info@mayfield.oldham.sch.uk)

**By Paper or by email to**  
[parents@stgeorges-primary.org](mailto:parents@stgeorges-primary.org)

## **List of those professions classed as “Key Workers” from the latest government update (19<sup>th</sup> March 2020)**

### **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.

### **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.