

IDSALL SCHOOL

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Parent/carer update

11th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for the many positive emails we have received about the high quality of home learning which students are engaging in on a daily basis. As I previously shared, this is due to highly committed staff, great parental support, and students who want to learn, and who know and value the importance of school and learning.

We have also had a large number of requests for key worker places and we are finding it difficult to manage high quality online learning, combined with supervising children of key workers. Key worker slots are for parents who really need a place for their child at school because it is unsuitable and unsafe for their child to be left at home whilst they are at work. We are also experiencing a high number of our workforce and students needing to self-isolate. With this in mind, and given that we have accommodated all key worker places so far, we must now review the number so that we keep the workforce and the students in school as safe possible, whilst offering the learning experience to all students. Therefore, we are not in a position to offer any key worker places which have not already been registered as we have reached our capacity in school at this present time.

If a place is required, you can request to be put on the waiting list for a place when one becomes available. I am really sorry but this way, we can keep our offer of high quality live lessons, some task-based activities and the supervision of the students that have been accessing school every day.

At times, there are lessons which will have to be cancelled and we apologise for this; where we are able, all lessons will take place as promised. Staff are doing a great job and will continue to do so where possible but we must keep everyone safe.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you are in an urgent situation and we will try and support but where students can, the safest place is at home, not mixing with others. The learning offer is the same from home as it is in school; the key worker groups are supervised while the students access the online learning material.

I hope we can continue to offer our full support where needed.

Thank you for your continued support. Keep safe and well.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ms M King".

Ms M King

Headteacher