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Dear Parents/Carers

As you will be aware we have now received the following guidance by the Government and Local Authority:

If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.

- **Keyworkers must only send children to school when they are actually on rota working for the employer, not at other times.**
- **Keyworkers should not send them to school if their partner, or similar, is able to look after them.**
- **There is an expectation that if keyworkers are working from home the default should be to keep children there, rather than send them to school. However, we accept some individuals may need to depending on age and other issues relating to children.**

With regards to free school meals, we are currently looking into this alongside the Local Authority. We don't currently have any of our kitchen staff in school and the possibility of providing a delivery service would not be efficient or effective given all our students travel from all across the county.

We will therefore likely to be looking to support the voucher/gift card system. I have contacted the Local Authority to establish how this would work and they are getting back to me as soon as they can. We will be looking to put something in place within the next 48 hours and will keep you posted.

You are vital to the country's response to this crisis, and we offer our full support and gratitude during this difficult time. As this crisis progresses, we will aim to provide you with as much certainty and flexibility as possible and will do all we can to support.

Thank you for your continued help, understanding and co-operation during this period and any questions, comments or concerns can be emailed to school using the accounts provided last week.

parentcontact@woodlands.n-yorks.sch.uk – for parents/carers

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Kind regards

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