

King's Academy Binfield

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4th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Re. Schools Closing With Immediate Effect

I am sorry to write to you so late, however as I also get my information directly from the media, I was unable to write any sooner. I am sure you are all aware of the discussions over the weekend about primary schools, and the decision that has just been made by the Prime Minister, due to the high and increasing COVID numbers, to implement another lockdown including to shut all schools, including primary schools with effect from tomorrow until February half term initially.

I am writing to you now to let you know that both KAB and KAO primaries will be shut to ALL children tomorrow; Tuesday 5th January to enable us to plan and ascertain which children will be in as children of critical workers etc. We will write again tomorrow therefore with detail of the work which will be provided for each year group and also with a google form for you to complete if you believe you are a critical worker and therefore eligible for in-school provision. Please carefully consider whether you need this provision, as we need to keep this in-school provision as small as possible, both to protect children and staff and to enable staff to remotely teach their own classes. We will confirm these in-school places as quickly as possible tomorrow, to ensure your work plans can be confirmed from Wednesday onwards.

From Wednesday 6th January, the children of confirmed eligible critical workers will be able to attend school for core hours only and work will be set or taught live for all other children. Details of all of this will be sent out tomorrow.

Apologies again for such late notice of this information; we have responded just as guickly as we were able to. I know this will cause significant issues for many of you, but as you will know, it is essential we follow national Government direction.

We will write again tomorrow with more detail.

Best wishes

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