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Dear Parents and Carers

Following the Prime Minister's announcement last night regarding the new lockdown, I am writing to update you with regards to plans for the coming weeks at Rachel Madocks.

The decision to close a school is for local management, based on conditions at the school and the health and safety of staff and pupils. Although some media sources are reporting that all special schools are open, we are following guidance to open for a limited number of pupils due to current staff capacity.

We are therefore prioritising attendance for the most vulnerable pupils together with children of key workers. Those families whose children have been allocated a place in school will be contacted individually and this list will be reviewed on 18th January.

Other families will have access to resources on Seesaw and teachers are also arranging regular live sessions via Microsoft Teams. Class teachers will contact each family individually to provide times for live sessions and to check you have all the login details you need. Any family who has difficulty with internet access will be provided with hard copy resources.

Those families entitled to Free School Meals for their children will receive further details as soon as we receive information from the government.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in these challenging times.

Regards

Niki Wilson Headteacher