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'Nothing will be impossible with God'*

Wednesday 6th January 2021

RE: Critical worker provision w/b 11.01.21

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please email your requests for critical care worker places for the week beginning 11.01.21, before **Thursday 7th January lunchtime 12.00pm.**

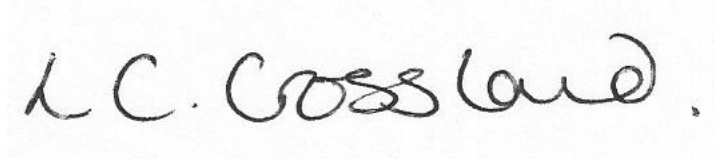
If you have already returned a 'Critical worker application form' then there is no need to complete this on a weekly basis. Alternatively, just email your requirements to head@cuckney.nott.sch.uk. As yet, some families that have been allocated places in the summer have not returned the application form. Unfortunately, if you do not return the form I will not be able to allocate the place. As you are aware I have been inundated with requests for places and we currently have a waiting list. The forms are used to verify your eligibility to access a place; without this vital information your child's place will be given to someone on the waiting list with a completed form. Apologies if this sounds harsh, but I have to be fair to everyone. The school is working with a limited number of places given reduced staffing levels as a result of the pandemic lockdown restrictions.

I need you to reconsider whether the provision you have requested is absolutely essential, as it should be used as a last resort when both parents continue to be out at work. We do know many of you have demanding jobs, and appreciate the struggle of balancing this with home learning, however if you are able to be at home, your children should remain at home with you. Guidance is that people should not leave the home unless they absolutely need to and in our opinion this means that children should not come to school unless absolutely necessary.

I therefore request that where possible, you keep your children at home or seek alternative provision with appropriate people within your support bubble. Please only apply for the days you need and no 'extras'. If you only require half a day or an hour or so, please only apply for this; we can arrange safe collection to accommodate your requirements. If we come by information that you are not at work and have sent your child to take a place, we will consider this abuse of the facility and will cancel the place – you will be surprised at the information your children choose to share with us!

Should I continue to receive 'pressure' from those families not allocated a place, I will need to go back over the lists, re organise and prioritise places initially to those families with two parents that are key workers, or are single parent families. Please let me know via email before Thursday 7th January at 12.pm if you are able to withdraw your application.

Thank you once again for your support and understanding,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "L.C. Crossland." The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

Lisa Crossland
Head Teacher