

## **Garden Suburb Junior School**

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## School Closed until 18th January - important information.

Dear parents/carers

Many of you will have already seen by now that, due to the high number of coronavirus cases in the local area, schools in Barnet are included in the list of local authorities who need to put in contingency measures for the start of term.

This means that **Garden Suburb Junior School will be closed to most children until 18**<sup>th</sup> **January 2021.** The Government will be reviewing the situation prior to this, and making a decision about whether this will need to be extended.

From Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, Garden Suburb Junior School will only be open to the children of critical workers (key workers) and a Parentmail/form will be coming out shortly, for those parents to apply for a place in the provision.

If you are a critical/key worker, please look out for this form, and ensure that you return it to us by Sunday at 12 Noon if you think you qualify for a place for your child. This will enable the school to make the necessary plans for these pupils. **The Parentmail form will include details about who qualifies as a key worker.** We will inform you on Monday if your child is eligible for a place. The provision will start on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January.

We will also be contacting the parents of children who are vulnerable and/or have an Educational Health Care Plan on Monday, to discuss provision for them.

For all other children, we will be moving to online learning. All families are now set up with 'Showbie', which is the platform that we are using for online learning. Please see the 'Home Leaning Policy' for details of expectations and safety whilst your child is learning online.

On Monday, work will be uploaded ready for the start of term on Tuesday. If you have any problems with accessing Showbie, we will be asking you to contact your class teacher, using their direct email next week, so that we can support you with this.

We are very sorry that we are not able to open as planned next week, but I am sure you understand that we have to follow the recent guidance issued by The Government.

Kind Regards

Eileen Bhavsar Headteacher









