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Dear Parents / Carer,

Percy Main Primary Opening to Government Identified Year Groups

We would like to share our plans with you for how school will operate during this new lockdown. We will continue to implement stringent hygiene and social distancing measures to try to reduce the risk of the transmission of the virus.

- School will remain open to all children who are identified as being part of a Key Worker or Vulnerable group. School is closed to all children who are not in these groups and all children will be taught remotely through our school online learning platforms.
- EYFS Rainbows/Nursery: It is not possible to socially distance Nursery age children, even in small groups. Therefore, for health and safety reasons, Rainbows and Nursery will NOT be offered a place in our Nursery provision unless they have been identified as part of a Key group.
- Children who are identified as being in a vulnerable group will be able to attend each day between the hours of 8.45am – 1pm
- Children whose parents / carers are identified as a Key Worker, are invited to attend school on a full or part time basis. Full time hours are 8.45 3.15pm, part time hours are 8.45 1pm. Booking places for these days MUST be completed each **Thursday by 3.15pm**. We cannot accept bookings after this time so please ensure if you need a space you book in.
- Children who are attending school in a key group will be taught by their class teacher and a member of support staff. Children who are working at home will be sent daily tasks to complete using either SEESAW (EYFS and Year 1) or Google Classroom – Years 2- 6.
 Children will all undertake the same work regardless of whether they are onsite or not and all work will be checked, marked and monitored by their class teacher.
- Children attending school will be required to wear uniform where possible, however we will require uniform to be washed daily and therefore if you would find it more manageable to send your child in non uniform this is acceptable during lockdown.
- Children in the EYFS who are attending school will need to be dropped off and collected at the NURSERY door. Year 1 and 2 children will be dropped and collected at their normal door. Children in KS2 should be dropped off and collected at their normal entrance.
- Children attending in the Key Worker group should enter through their normal class door, but will need to be collected from the entrance used for Breakfast club. Staff will bring children to the door and we ask that all parents wait in the courtyard, socially distanced from each other.

- Breakfast club will not be open, however children onsite will be provided with a bagel each day.
- Catering services have currently closed our kitchen, therefore children attending school will be provided with a pre made packed lunch. If your child would prefer to bring their own this is fine.

I know that many of you will be anxious, but please be assured that we will always do our very best for all of our children and staff. I am happy to try to answer any questions that you may have and to provide as much information as I can. The advice is constantly changing and we will change our plans as this evolves.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Thompson Acting Headteacher