## Dear parents and carers

I just wanted to keep in contact with everyone and thank you all once again for being so supportive during this time of uncertainty.

I am incredibly proud of the staff who are working together to keep the school open for vulnerable children and those whose parents are providing critical roles. We would like you to continue to support us by only sending your child into school if there is not an option for them to stay at home. The Government's response as to whether keyworker children should access school is as follows:

"Many parents working in these critical sectors may be able to ensure their child is kept at home. Every child who can be safely cared for at home should be. This is an offer to parents and carers and there is no requirement for parents and carers to send their children to school if they do not need or wish to do so."

We are however here if you need us and are keen to play our part in supporting parents who are helping to provide vital services at this time. Staff are currently finalising arrangements for 2-way contact via a new email address for each year group. This will be introduced shortly so that parents and children can ask questions and share examples of learning activities with their teachers. We are also working on future learning packs and updating the website with home learning activities.

If you have any queries in the meantime please feel free to use the school email: <a href="mailto:office@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk">office@eastbrook.w-sussex.sch.uk</a> If you wish to speak to a member of the office team please try to avoid the start (8.30 to 9.30) and end (2.45 – 3.15) of the day, unless it is urgent.

We hope you are all keeping well and managing some home learning. Please say hello to the children from all of us.

Yours sincerely

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