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By Brook Valley

Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, the Government has just announced a new national lockdown, which will take effect from Tuesday 5 January 2021. Please refer to the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home>

Despite being ready to welcome all our pupils back tomorrow, due to the extremely short notice given to schools, unfortunately, we have had to take the decision to close the school to **ALL** children on Tuesday 5 January, in order to allow our staff the time necessary to plan and prepare for next steps, to ensure that we have correct staffing ratios in place and to ascertain which pupils will need to be educated in school.

School will reopen only for children of key workers and vulnerable children on Wednesday 6 January 2021. In line with Government guidance, all children will move to remote learning until February half term. As teachers will need time to finalise plans for remote learning; this will not be provided until Wednesday 6 January.

Further communication will be sent out tomorrow to all parents/carers.

We are sorry for the inevitable inconvenience that this will cause to you. Please continue to follow the guidance of hands, face and space. Myself and the staff of the school hope that you stay safe and well in these difficult times.

Yours sincerely

Mr Graham Pike

Head teacher