



## HETTY PRE-SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank you for your continued support and care towards us as a setting.

As you know, these are difficult and confusing times for us all and I appreciate your understanding as we try to make sense of the situation and come up with a plan to ensure safety and practical solutions for all.

We are following the Government's advice and having to close our setting with effect from the end of the day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Provision will however be made for those children where parents/carers are considered to be key workers. The Government has defined this group so far as **'health and social care, education and childcare, key public services, local and national government, food and other necessary goods, public safety and national security, transport, utilities, communication and financial services.'** For the complete list of key worker definitions, please refer to the Gov.uk website.

If you fall into any of these categories and need childcare, please email us at [hettymanager@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:hettymanager@hooleceprimary.cheshire.sch.uk) so we can arrange adequate staffing.

We will offer this provision for those children of keyworkers on the list for as long as is feasible.

We will also be providing links to various activities for the children on the news page. Hopefully these activities will keep the children occupied for some of the time. We are hoping Freddie Fox and Mrs Chester will provide phonics lessons, story telling and song times via a video link so please do check the website weekly [www.hettypreschool.co.uk](http://www.hettypreschool.co.uk). The information can be accessed either via the 'Coronavirus' link on the home page or the news page. If we can arrange the technology, there will also be the possibility that your child could Skype with Mrs Chester and Freddie Fox every now and again to keep in touch! Details of how will be on the website in due course.

As you are aware, HETTY Preschool is a charity and therefore we are dependent on fees coming in to keep our setting running. We ask you to please bear this in mind in this turbulent time we find ourselves in.

Finally, on behalf of the staff at HETTY Preschool, I would like to say how we are all looking forward to a time when 'normality' is restored and we can once again return to being all together at HETTY Preschool. In the meantime, we hope you and your families stay safe and well.

Yours faithfully

**Denise Bowes**