

# CALTON

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### IMPORTANT COVID UPDATE

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

We are writing to inform you of a change in circumstances with regard to opening the school from tomorrow – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

It has not been an easy decision to make, however due to significant staffing shortages following advice given to members of the National Education Union and Unison, the school Governors and Senior Leadership Team have agreed that the **school will close for the majority of children** from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

School will only be open to children of critical workers and vulnerable pupils in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5.

All other children in these year groups will be taught remotely.

Further details will be communicated to you tomorrow via your eschools class page.

School **will** be open to all children in **Playgroup** and **Year 6** and those children are expected to attend school as normal from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

In the first instance, the closure for Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 will apply until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021 in line with secondary schools. We are aware that the Government are making a further announcement at 8pm tonight. Please be mindful that things may change for **all** year groups.

Parents/Carers who fulfil the criteria as a critical workers are:

- 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 and border
- Utilities, communication and financial services



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For children of critical workers, please complete the survey using the following link by 9pm this evening to confirm your child's full-time attendance from tomorrow: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5KQDHLL>

Caterlink, our catering company, will still be providing hot meals to pupils on-site as normal. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals and not attending school, we will be contacting you tomorrow.

We fully appreciate that this is short notice and we apologise for any inconvenience caused but we are sure you understand that the safety of all members of our school and wider community is of the utmost importance at this time.

Yours sincerely

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