

## STRAIDHAVERN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

First and foremost, a Happy New Year to you all and I'd also like to thank you for your support and understanding as we approach an uncertain start to the new school term.

As you know, school will be closed for face-to-face teaching from 5th-8th January 2021. However, if you have no alternative childcare provision, we are happy for the following children to attend school:

- children whose parents are key workers
- children who have a Statement of Special Educational Need
- children who are currently attending CAHMS or are involved with Social Workers.

If you require childcare provision from Tuesday 5th January (during school hours) please complete the application form that can be found at the following link:

https://forms.gle/CnTsHC79mA3wuDUQA

Please ensure application forms are completed by 10am on Monday 4th January 2021. We will then be in touch with more information later on that day.

In-school provision should only be applied for if all other childcare options have been tried first. Pupils attending school must wear school uniform and must also bring a packed lunch and morning snack as school dinners will not be available.

As you are aware, the community transmission of Covid-19 is extremely high. The Minister of Education has closed schools to try to reduce transmission. Although this closure is very disruptive for families, we would ask you to apply for in-school childcare as a last resort. Hopefully, this will ensure a full return for all staff and pupils on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Thank you for your support with this. Class teachers will be in touch on Monday with more information on home learning.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Scott Principal