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Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Partial School Closure – Paxton Primary School**

I apologise that this letter is being received at such late notice but you may be aware that we have just received an update from the Government regarding schools which are required to partially close from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

I am writing to confirm that **Paxton Primary School will now be partially closed from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January**. The Government will review when the full reopening of our school will be and we will ensure to keep you updated. Paxton will continue to follow Government and Public Health advice.

Schools in London have been requested to only allow **children of critical workers** and **those defined as vulnerable** to attend their school setting. It is an expectation that vulnerable children attend full-time on-site provision where it is appropriate for them to do so. Parents who are critical workers are asked to notify the school office to request a place for their child. Please email [paxkeyworkers@ghf.london](mailto:paxkeyworkers@ghf.london) stating clearly:

- Your name
- The name(s) of your child/children attending school, their year group and class name
- Your job role
- The name of your employer

We request that you notify us by **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 12pm** so that we can plan accordingly. Thank you for your support with this.

Definition of critical workers and vulnerable children can be found here: [Critical workers and vulnerable children who can access schools or educational settings - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/critical-workers-and-vulnerable-children-who-can-access-schools-or-educational-settings)

Remote learning will be provided for all other pupils during this time. A separate email will be sent out with further details on this in due course.

We will be putting arrangements in place for food vouchers for pupils who are eligible for free school meals and will be in touch with these arrangements as soon as possible next week. Please contact the school office from Monday if you have any concerns about this.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support to ensure that our children's education and wellbeing remain the highest priority during these unprecedented times.

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I wish you and your families all the best and will look forward to welcoming you all back to Paxton as soon as we can.

Best wishes,

Mr Muhammad  
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