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Dear Parents

### **Easter Holiday Club – Nursery**

In response to the Secretary of State for Education's announcements on Wednesday evening, we have decided to reverse our decision regarding the Holiday Club for the Nursery and this will be operating during the Easter holiday for free. Importantly, the Holiday Club is only open to parents who fall within the list of key worker categories as published by the Cabinet Office today.

If children can stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading. That is why the government has asked parents to keep their children at home, wherever possible, and asked schools to remain open **only for those children who absolutely need to attend.**

It is important to underline that schools, colleges and other educational establishments remain safe places for children. But the fewer children making the journey to school, and the fewer children in educational settings, the lower the risk that the virus can spread and infect vulnerable individuals in wider society.

Additionally, we will also be opening up St Andrew's and providing a free childcare service for children of key workers (up to Year 13) at either St Andrew's Prep or Eastbourne College between 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday throughout the break. Details of that have gone in a separate letter to relevant parents.

The Holiday Club will run as per the normal structure though for these three weeks it will be in the Casson building due to pre-planned decorating works in the Lodge.

We will have catering facilities available. We intend to provide lunch and an afternoon snack but children should arrive having had breakfast and perhaps armed with a morning snack (nut free).

If you think you are eligible to take advantage of this offering, please contact Claire Fineing:  
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As schools, St Andrew's Prep and Eastbourne College are committed to supporting our community though this difficult time and, once again, we would like to thank you for your understanding of the changing situation.

Yours sincerely

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Headmaster, St Andrew's Prep

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## **Government list of Key Workers**

### **Health and social care**

This includes but is not limited to doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, care workers, and other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers; the support and specialist staff required to maintain the UK's health and social care sector; those working as part of the health and social care supply chain, including producers and distributors of medicines and medical and personal protective equipment.

### **Education and childcare**

This includes nursery and teaching staff, social workers and those specialist education professionals who must remain active during the COVID-19 response to deliver this approach.

### **Key public services**

This includes those essential to the running of the justice system, religious staff, charities and workers delivering key frontline services, those responsible for the management of the deceased, and journalists and broadcasters who are providing public service broadcasting.

### **Local and national government**

This only includes those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the COVID-19 response or delivering essential public services such as the payment of benefits, including in government agencies and arms-length bodies.

### **Food and other necessary goods**

This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution, sale and delivery as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (for example hygienic and veterinary medicines).

### **Public safety and national security**

This includes police and support staff, Ministry of Defence civilians, contractor and armed forces personnel (those critical to the delivery of key defence and national security outputs and essential to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic), fire and rescue service employees (including support staff), National Crime Agency staff, those maintaining border security, prison and probation staff and other national security roles, including those overseas.

### **Transport**

This includes those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the COVID-19 response, including those working on transport systems through which supply chains pass.

### **Utilities, communication and financial services**

This includes staff needed for essential financial services provision (including but not limited to workers in banks, building societies and financial market infrastructure), the oil, gas, electricity and water sectors (including sewerage), information technology and data infrastructure sector and primary industry supplies to continue during the COVID-19 response, as well as key staff working in the civil nuclear, chemicals, telecommunications (including but not limited to network operations, field engineering, call centre staff, IT and data infrastructure, 999 and 111 critical services), postal services and delivery, payments providers and waste disposal sectors.