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Parent/Carer Information
2nd April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Pupils Who May Attend School from Monday 6th April 2020

Key Workers' Children

Coleraine Grammar School is offering supervision for vulnerable children and the children of key workers during the normal Easter school holiday period; 6-17 April inclusive, and weekends.

We can facilitate children who are vulnerable, or pupils **up to the end of Year 10 only**, whose parents are critical to the Covid-19 response who would otherwise have no option but to stay at home to ensure safe supervision of their children. Key workers are those who are maintaining essential public services during the Covid-19 response. The Department of Education provided a list which is not prescriptive but outlined the broad categories of what would be defined as a key worker;

Health and social care - doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, and home carers.

Education and child care - nursery and teaching staff and specialist education professionals.

Public safety and national security – civilians and officers in the police, fire and rescue service, prison service and other national security roles.

Transport – air, water, road and rail transport.

Utilities and communication – oil, gas, electricity, water and primary industry supplies as well as key staff in telecommunications, post and delivery, services and waste disposal.

Food and other necessary goods – food production, processing, distribution and sale as well as hygiene and medical etc.

Other workers essential to delivering key public services
Key national and local government workers

I would ask that any parent who would be categorised as a 'key worker' and requires their child to attend school next week and/or weekends to let school know by 12 noon on Friday 3rd April. Could you please e-mail dhaggan691@c2kni.net or text Mr Haggan on 07515 904436, stating your child's name, class, your name and occupation, if your child is entitled to a free school meal and what supervision is required? This will allow the school to plan effectively for Monday 6th April.

If your child is coming to school, **they must come to the Castlerock Road campus**. Lodge Road campus will be closed.

At Castlerock Road campus there will be a supervised study area available from 8.30am to 3.30pm for those pupils who are children of key workers.

Children attending will be **NOT** required to wear their school uniform. Please be advised that school will be providing supervision, rather than teaching. This will allow pupils to complete work set by their teachers or to engage in quiet study.

If possible, alternative childcare arrangement should be sought before deciding to send your child to school. For example, with other family members or friends. Please try and use the

school facility as a last resort. **This is to try and limit the number of children and adults together in line with social distancing guidance.**

If your child has an underlying health condition and is within a vulnerable group, please exercise your own discretion with regard to sending your child to school and follow the relevant guidance from the Public Health Agency.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D.R.J. Carruthers". The signature is written in a cursive style with some capital letters.

D.R.J. Carruthers
Headmaster