

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

As you will have heard in yesterday's announcement, schools will close from the end of the day tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 3.15pm. We are aware that many of you fulfil essential professional roles across numerous key sectors currently under pressure.

Our school will remain open to children of those who fall into the category of 'key workers'. Whilst we are still waiting for clarification from the government on exactly who falls into this category, it would be helpful if you could let us know as soon as possible if you think this applies to you. **If you need your child to attend school in order that you can continue to carry out your professional duties as a key worker**, please email [keyworkers@westthorntonacademy.org.uk](mailto:keyworkers@westthorntonacademy.org.uk) with the following information:

- Pupil name
- Pupil year group
- Parent name
- Key worker role/parent profession

You **do not** need to reply if you **do not** need your child to attend school during the partial closure.

Once we receive this information, we can make sure we can plan as effectively as possible to provide this service for the community. We will then make contact with you about the arrangements for the school remaining open for your children.

Many thanks,

Donna Callaghan and Harriet Joseph

Associate Headteachers