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Dear Parents and Carers,

The start of remote learning is going very well – the feedback I've had from our families so far has been really positive. We continue to support as many children and families as we can so everyone can log in and take part in as much of the day as possible. Please remember that the government expects all children to attend remote learning and we are monitoring which children are taking part in the sessions. Over the next few days, we'll offer whatever support we can to resolve any problems children may be having.

In order to provide effective remote learning and provide additional support for the children that need it, we must limit the number of staff in classrooms at school. Unfortunately, like all schools, we have had a large increase in the number of critical worker place applications compared to the last lockdown. This means that places for critical workers are limited.

The message is simple - if you do not **need** to send your child to school, please don't.

The more children we have to care for in school, the more likely that this virus will continue to spread through our community and the less staff I have for quality remote learning support.

We will not be re-applying every 2 weeks as we did during the last lockdown, once your child has a place we will expect them in school until the end of lockdown or until you let us know you no longer need a place.

Changing to learning from home

If your child does not need their place, please let us know (admin@sheltonj.derby.sch.uk) so we can offer this place to a child who maybe does not have access to the internet or a device or who really needs that additional support in school.

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Applying for a place at school during lockdown

I have now re-opened applications for parents of critical workers as I know some parents did not complete this last time. Please use this only if you really need to.

www.sheltonj.derby.sch.uk/childcare-application

Thank you for all the lovely messages of support that I've had from many parents and carers who can see the hard work that teaching staff are putting in to offer the very best possible learning for all our children given the incredibly difficult circumstances that this pandemic and the current lockdown are causing for us all.

Stay safe everyone,



Jon Bacon
Headteacher

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