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Monday 4th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Covid-19 – school partial closure

Following on from my email to you on Saturday 2nd January, I'm now writing to let you know that school will be **partially closed** for this week as we are unable to safely staff the school in order to open fully.

This is not a decision we have taken lightly and it is after much consultation with staff, a thorough review of our risk assessment and close liaison with both Governors and the LA.

Your child's learning is vitally important to us and we'll continue to help support your child to learn.

Class teachers will provide remote learning for all of the children in their class from tomorrow to ensure they have access to educational provision at home. School will be open to priority children only and these children will be provided with the same learning as their peers.

If you believe your child falls in to one of the priority groups, please complete the **google form** <https://forms.gle/brotiZYDmBqCgPuA9> by 3pm today to inform us if you are a critical worker, if your child has an EHCP or if your child has a social worker.

It is vital if you are one of our families that received paper copies of letters that you provide us with a temporary email that can be used to contact you during this partial closure period – please email the school office with this information as soon as possible.

As you may have seen and heard in the news, this is an emerging picture nationally so while we understand this presents an extremely challenging situation, we are not alone. We will re-open fully as soon as we possibly can and we will let you know when this will be by emailing out to you as soon as we have any further information.

We understand that this latest news will have an impact on you and your family and it's far from ideal, but we'll continue to keep in touch with any updates as the situation develops.

If you want to get in touch please don't hesitate to do so via the school admin email admin@barnwood.gloucs.sch.uk As you will appreciate we are experiencing a higher volume of correspondence currently but we will respond as soon as we are able.

Thank you again for your continued support, and we will be in touch with more information as soon as we have it.

With very best wishes, and our love and support, to you and your families,

Julia Matson
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Chair of Governors



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