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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may have seen in the Prime Minister's briefing this evening, the decision has been taken to adopt more stringent restrictions with the intention of reducing the spread of the virus. This includes a national lockdown and the closure of schools across England for all but vulnerable children and the children of key workers.

The leadership of Gothic Mede Academy will now look at the list of key workers and vulnerable children that you filled in on Sunday and yesterday and will contact those who have children who are eligible for a school place from tomorrow. I am sorry to say that if you do not receive a message through ParentMail this evening, offering a place for your child, your child will now receive their curriculum through remote learning and must not attend school in person tomorrow morning. We will be implementing our remote learning policy for the majority of children tomorrow morning and I have attached this to this message.

The coming days will see a settling in period to this new lockdown. Our expectations for learning are higher than last time and we expect to have many more children in school than we did during the school closure before June last year. We may not achieve our high expectations tomorrow but there will be activities on Google Classroom that your child should undertake if they are able to. Thank you in advance for your patience in our implementation of our remote curriculum.

If your child is given a place in school, the message will include details about what this will look like.

I understand that this is a difficult situation for many of you, as well as a time of concern for most of us. As the days and weeks progress, we will be in touch outlining the support that we can provide but please do contact us in the meantime if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Mr Thomas Clarke - Principal











