Finally the Government have released a list of those classed as Key Workers. However if your role within the sectors listed is NOT directly related to the COVID-19 response it does not apply. If you are unsure you will need to check with your employer. Please also be aware that the government has stated that wherever possible children should be kept at home and that.

“Schools are being asked to continue to provide care for a **limited** number of children - children who are vulnerable and children whose parents are **critical** to the Covid-19 response and cannot be safely cared for at home.”

Schools are also being asked to limit their emergency places to 20% of the school population.

Please consider this very carefully before messaging for place.

A Key Worker is:

* NHS worker
* Social Care Worker
* Education and Nursery Worker
* Solicitors
* Delivery, distribution and sale of food
* Prison service
* Police service
* Fire Service
* 999/111 call operators

Even if you have one of these roles but can safely care for your child at home please do so. I am operating a skeleton staff from Monday due to staff unable to come to work for their own health benefits. Please, also only send your child to school on working days.

Next steps:

If you genuinely require an emergency place at school:

* Email [headteacher@ripley-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@ripley-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk) with proof of your role (ID badge)
* Include in your email the days that you require

Please do this immediately. School will then collate a final list and parents will be notified by close of play today.