

4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing this with a heavy heart and with great frustration. As you are probably aware, the Prime Minister announced at 8pm tonight that all schools must close from today apart for children of Critical Workers

Yet again this is last minute and due to this late notice, Governors and myself have made the difficult decision to close for ALL children on Tuesday 5th January. This will allow us time to establish the demand, and plan for the safe and effective provision for children of Critical Workers parents.

We apologise for this disruption and lack of notice, this is not of our doing and certainly not how we like to work at St. Andrew's. I can only apologise and hope you understand and continue to support the school in the amazing way you have so far. We do appreciate it. Tomorrow morning on Email, Text, Twitter, Tapestry and TEAMS we will be in touch regarding our Critical Worker Provision and Remote Learning Plans. Our aim would be to have remote learning running by mid-morning and details about criteria for critical workers,

Thank you

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Headteacher