



# STOCKPORT

## METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

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### Stockport SEND Local Offer

Welcome to Stockport's *Local Offer*. This website has brought together a range of support services and information for children and young people aged 0-25, with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

Stockport SEND

All the latest information, advice and resources for parents/ carers and young people can be found by visiting the Stockport SEND Local Offer. <https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/advice.page?id=zPgonwIQaX0>

Whether you want ideas and resources for activities with children, support with helping children coping in this difficult time or support for your own wellbeing the Local Offer is here to help. You can also follow us on twitter @SMBC\_SEND or on Facebook Stockport Council SEND.

<https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/localoffer.page>

<https://play.buto.tv/7mf82>

Please use the link above to access a message of thanks from Pam Smith for all that is being done to ensure our key workers' children and our most vulnerable children can be cared for during these unprecedented times.

### **Admitting children to our schools, early years providers and colleges until the Easter break**

- If it is at all possible for children and young people to be at home, then they should be. The model LA letter to parents stated that: **If children and young people can now stay safely at home, they should, to limit the chance of the virus spreading.**
- School, early years providers and colleges should be seen as a last resort for parents/carers. The model LA letter to parents stated that: **The government has asked parents/carers to keep their children and young people at home, wherever possible, and for schools, early years providers and colleges to remain open only for children and young people who absolutely need to attend.**
- If parents/carers feel that they need support from schools, early years providers and colleges we would recommend that there is a dialogue between the setting and the family.
- This dialogue may include asking parents/carers to provide key information (which could include relevant documentation) to establish their circumstances. Our aim is to enable schools, early years providers and colleges to satisfy themselves that the setting is the best place for the child and young person, without making the system overly complicated.

### **Arrangements for Easter**

The LA and representatives from the Headteacher community have agreed the following principles to support you in making arrangements for the Easter break:

- All schools should remain open during the Easter break
- Schools should be admitting children of CV19 key workers.
- School leaders should organise their staff into teams on a rota system so that staff can have some time off.
- When staff are not working it must be clear to them that they are NOT working in any way.

There will be further detail to follow tomorrow in respect of our agreed approach with our vulnerable children; however our overriding principle is to keep the number of children in school as low as possible, whilst also responding to provide the necessary care to keep our system going. We can rely on you to make sensible local decisions.

### Access to vouchers for FSM families

[www.wonde.com](http://www.wonde.com) are offering e-vouchers This service is free, you just pay for the supermarket vouchers.  
Contact them at [schools@wonde.com](mailto:schools@wonde.com) or on 01638 779144

**Morrisons gift vouchers in bulk please call 01274 639 547 or email [giftvoucher@morrisonspc.co.uk](mailto:giftvoucher@morrisonspc.co.uk).**

- Vouchers can be sold in denominations of £1, £5 and £10.
- Vouchers will be sent by Royal Mail up to the value of £2,500 or courier for larger orders.
- Payment must be made before vouchers will be issued.
- Secure payment is made over the phone.

**Asda corporate site below for e vouchers**

[https://storefront.wgiftcard.co/asda/send\\_card](https://storefront.wgiftcard.co/asda/send_card)

- Tesco <https://www.tescoforbusiness.com/>  
Vouchers can be emailed DIRECTLY to families

**THANK YOU** - Many schools and colleges are working closely within their communities to ensure that families are not going without essentials.

We are working across Greater Manchester and the North West to see how this can be sustained over the coming weeks.

If you have any questions please contact Tanya Cross 07891949019

## Information from Stockport NHS Foundation Trust

**In the spirit of following, some key principles leadership through crisis: key information should be handled within the 3 R's:**

**“Review, repeat, reinforce.”**

We wanted to remind all providers about how to ensure children and young people who are unwell are not coming into settings and schools.

Please use the key screening families with parents when children are brought in/arrive:

- Does your child have a temperature of 37.8C or above?
- Do they have a new persistent cough?
- Is any member of the family currently self-isolating with symptoms?

New messaging for parents:

- **Further information will follow to support parents taking their child's temperature and we are looking at either obtaining more thermometers or thermal measurement devices.**
- **In the meantime, please ask parents who have a thermometer to check their child's temperature every morning before bring their child into your setting.**

New message for staff:

- **We are also suggesting that members of staff check their own temperature before coming in to work as a screen for themselves to help in reminding them to consider their own health and wellbeing.**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures/guidance-for-schools-about-temporarily-closing>

If you need support at school to enable key workers to attend work we have a pool of staff who we can allocate to schools.

To access this please complete the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=nvZeoElhuk-kDN8ziBD2RNaCejzhYD9ApZASBkyLMG9UMzNSSDNURTU3SIE0WTJVOEY0QzBJVFhRVSQIQCN0PWcu> OR

[Please see the link](#)

Complete the form by 9am each day and central support will work to allocate your need. Contact will be made by email or phone to the Headteacher or whoever submits the form to confirm arrangements.

# Messages of support from children in our settings:

