## Important Information Regarding Emergency Childcare

## For Vital Key Workers

<u>Please follow the advice issued by Flintshire County Council and only send children to</u> school if you fit the criteria of:

Vital workers, in the instance where they are either:

- · A single parent
- · Both parents are vital workers

The expectation is that any child who can safely be cared for at home should be and it is in exceptional circumstances that they will need to access this provision.

It is important that this message is adhered to as the purpose of school closure is ultimately to reduce social contact.

Ysgol Derwen will be open to any child who fits the above criteria from 8am on Monday morning as a childcare centre. We will have extended hours but will expect all children to be picked up by 5.30pm. This arrangement will continue throughout the week beginning Monday March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

All children present will have a free cold lunch.

As the situation changes throughout the week, and the criteria may also change, please follow our Twitter and school website accounts for any important changes or announcements.

As stated in the FCC statement, it is the intention of the Authority to set up Hub centres in the following weeks.

Staff who are on site during this time will be providing child care facilities and access to the home learning activities as communicated to parents.

Pupils are to enter the school through the main front entrance, so a register can be taken.

All staff and pupils will continue to follow hygiene measures that are still in place.

We realise that some of you may be unhappy with this situation as we understand what a difficult time this is for families, however as I'm sure you can appreciate, we are being directed by the Local Authority and therefore if you have any queries or issues you would like addressed, please contact Flintshire Local Education Authority on 01352 752121.

Many thanks for your co-operation and support