

Information for Residents of Rhondda Cynon Taf

Emergency Childcare Request

Emergency childcare provision is available for key frontline workers and vulnerable learners during the Coronavirus school closure period. This emergency childcare is for children up to the age of 14 years.

[Apply for Emergency Childcare](#)

If you need further assistance completing the form, please call 01443 281162.

This emergency childcare is available to RCT residents and RCTCBC employees only.

Please note that if you have more than one child, a further form will need to be completed and there is a link at the end of the form to enable a further form to be completed.

During the week commencing 23rd March, emergency childcare will be offered in your usual school. Core school hours will operate, breakfast clubs will not operate due to staff shortages, but usual school transport for those who normally receive it will be provided.

For week commencing Monday 30th March, emergency childcare will be offered in seven emergency centres Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm for key frontline workers. Provision for vulnerable learners will be for core school hours only. The Council is exploring future transport arrangements for 3 to 14 year olds from 30th March onwards for the emergency childcare between normal school hours.

The provision for 3 to 14 year olds is being offered in seven school settings throughout the Rhondda Cynon Taf area, namely:-

- Aberdare Community School
- Heol-Y-Celyn Primary
- Ferndale Community School
- Tonyrefail Community School
- Ysgol Nant-gwyn
- Ysgol Llanhari
- Ysgol Hen Felin (only for pupils requiring specialist provision)

You are able to select the most suitable setting to yourself from the list of the seven available school settings. (Please note that Ysgol Hen Felin is only available for pupils requiring specialist provision).

If you are a key frontline worker with a child / children aged 0-3 years please email childcareplayemergencyplanning@rctcbc.gov.uk to arrange your support.

Free School Meals Breakfast and Packed Lunch Request

[Apply for Free School Meals Breakfast and Packed Lunch](#)

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Parents / carers of children who are entitled to free school meals will be able to collect a breakfast and packed lunch from their local primary school during the Coronavirus school closure period. The food will be a cold provision which will be packaged for take away and can be collected between 11am and midday each day. Each pack will contain a packed lunch for the collection day and breakfast for the following morning.