



# St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents

Following the Government announcement for a further national lockdown that began yesterday, we know this will be causing some anxiety for many, as these are uncertain times.

We are really pleased that we are able to remain open as a school and will continue to provide full education for all of our children.

Please rest assured that we will continue to follow our Covid-19 Risk Assessment moving forward and will continue to strive to keep everyone in school as safe as we can.

Now the weather is much colder, please can we ask that parents ensure that children are warmly dressed for school. Children will need to wear their sweatshirt/cardigan every day.

We recommend that children wear additional layers to keep warm, such as vests. This is because we are required to keep our classrooms well-ventilated in order to ensure that children are breathing fresh, clean air.

From Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November, ALL visitors who come onto the school site must wear face masks/coverings - when dropping off children or collecting children from school - If you are exempt from wearing a facemask, please call the school office for the new collection arrangements.

Please can we also ask that parents make every effort to socially distance when on site and only enter and leave the site briefly to drop off or pick up children.

Also, please can we ask that parents do not approach staff members for conversations at drop-off and pick-up. I know this feels strange to both staff and parents. However, any messages can be sent via the school office (by phone).



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It is really important that we keep our staff healthy and safe and limit their contact with others, so that we can keep our bubbles open and all of our children in school and learning.

Although we know that it is inevitable at some point, that COVID-19 will reach our school community, we will continue to do all that we can to keep everyone safe by following these rigid health and safety procedures, and in doing so, keep our school open for as long as we are able to.

Please may I take this opportunity to thank all of our families for supporting all of the procedures we have in place, and also the children who are being so resilient and the staff, who are working above and beyond to provide the best education they can for all of the children in these continuing challenging circumstances.

We hope you all stay safe and well.

Many thanks

Sarah Griffin

