



## St Joseph's Catholic Academy

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Dear Parents

I am writing to apologise to you on behalf of the Government. This evening, the Prime Minister has announced that the school will be closed to almost all pupils from tomorrow, up until at least February half term. I will write to you again tomorrow with more details of our plans going forward but I wanted to give you some information as early as possible.

- If your child attended school during the previous lockdown in March and you remain a critical worker, your child may attend school 9am – 3pm from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January onwards
- If your child is in the Nursery and you believe yourself to be a critical worker using the list in the link below, your child may attend school 9am – 3pm from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January onwards
- If your child is classes as vulnerable (details in the link below), they may attend school from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January onwards. From Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, all vulnerable children must attend school
- If you consider yourself to be a critical worker but were not during the previous lockdown, you may request a place for your child in school from Wednesday onwards. To do so, please email [stjoseph@sjnewman.co.uk](mailto:stjoseph@sjnewman.co.uk) with the name of your line manager and contact number with which they can be contacted. You will also need to provide details of who will be dropping your child off at 9am and collecting them at 3pm. We will confirm your eligibility as a keyworker on Tuesday – please do not send your child to school tomorrow
- If your child is not eligible to attend school, they will be taught remotely from 1.00pm tomorrow onwards. Details will be emailed tomorrow

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

I will write to you again tomorrow with further details.

I am so sorry to be communicating this to you however will do all that I can to support you.

Mrs L Hamilton  
Principal

