



# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I know I was asked to share a letter with you this morning, but I have now been asked to share this NEW updated position / advice with you this afternoon.

**Information regarding the coronavirus is being updated constantly and since our last communication we have had further guidance on actions we should take as a school. Please see information below on behalf of the Director of Children's Services Liverpool and Associate Director of Public Health.**

### Message from Director of Children's Service

As the government move into the delay phase of its action plan we ask the whole school population to follow the government advice.

We are fully aware that information is going out to parents regularly and that the messages you are receiving are changing. This is a result of government action to delay the spread of Coronavirus. I would like to share with you the most recent advice from the Associate Director of Public Health

### Message from Associate Director of Public Health

An important change was announced by the Prime Minister yesterday in how we respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This is based on scientific and public health evidence.

As you know, up until now, there was special advice for people returning from specific affected countries like Italy about self-isolation on return home. This has now changed. People who have returned from Italy and other affected countries do not need to stay at home unless they have a cough or fever. If your child does not have these symptoms, they can return to school as normal on Monday.



**As of today, we are now in the DELAY phase of our national response. This means that anyone with a new continuous cough or a high temperature is asked to stay at home and not leave for 7 days from when the symptoms started. This applies to everyone in the community, regardless of whether they have been abroad or not.**

**Further advice will be going to all parents about the need to stay at home if you have cough or fever. There is useful information online at:  
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>**

As a school we appreciate that you are receiving a lot of communication from us around this and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

We look forward to seeing all of our well children in school this coming Monday. School will continue to follow the advice of our senior health officials to ensure the welfare of our community.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Davey**

**Headteacher.**