



# St Catherine's Catholic School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Re: Coronavirus Update

We wanted to keep in touch with you as we understand that this continues to be a concerning time for everyone and one of great uncertainty. We wanted to confirm that we still have no confirmed cases of Corona virus at the school and the school remains open as usual.

We wanted to advise you of the measures we have taken in school to reduce the risk to students and staff. We have agreed to cancel all assemblies, masses and external sporting events. We will not be holding any meetings with external visitors until the end of the spring term. The situation will be reviewed after the Easter holiday.

As identified in our previous letter, there has been no indication of when and if we will close. We are still planning for this eventuality and this may happen at short notice.

The advice to schools remains the same, to wash your hands more often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and water and make sure you cough or sneeze into a tissue and if you do so, put it in the bin and wash your hands. Facilities are available for girls to do this.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>

The advice from the NHS is that anyone with an elevated temperature (above 37.8 degrees) and a new continuous cough should stay at home. The advice is that you should not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital, but should use the 111 advice line if you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home or your condition gets worse. <https://www.nhs.uk/>.

We are following government guidance and will update you when we receive further advice.

Yours sincerely,

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