



St. Philip's
RC Primary School

20th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the government's announcement on Wednesday evening, I am writing to confirm that from this evening, the school will close until further notice.

We have identified those critical workers who do not have alternative childcare arrangements and have contacted them to confirm that a place will be available at school from Monday 23rd March. **If school has not been in contact with you to confirm a place, school is closed for your child until further notice.**

This has been a very stressful time for pupils, parents and staff. Difficult decisions have had to be taken and I am acutely aware that these will have a profound impact on many families. As a Catholic community, now is the time to come together, support one another and follow the advice that has been given. My staff and I are devastated that the school has to close, but it is the right thing to do to help limit the spread of the infection.

Thank you for all the kind messages of support; they have been much appreciated. Let us all look forward to the time when the building is once again filled with the sound of happy children enjoying life and their education.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Best Wishes

Mr. J. Barrett

Headteacher