

# St. Gerard's Catholic Primary and Nursery School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are monitoring the situation regarding Coronavirus COVID-19 on a daily basis and following guidance from Public Health England. However, given the current uncertainty, we wanted to update you on our contingency plans for a variety of scenarios, including a temporary closure if instructed to do so by Public Health England.

Teachers are in the process of putting packs together and activities for every child that attends our school. These packs will be sent out if we are told to close.

We hope that implementing such plans will not be necessary but we will endeavour to ensure that any potential disruption to our students' education is minimal. We are minimising the amount of visitors that are coming into school and reviewing trips and events that are happening this week and next week and will update as and when decisions are made.

In these circumstances, rumours on social media and online news outlets can sometimes cause confusion. To ensure reliable and clear communication from the school we will send updates on our Parent App. This will be used as the official method of communication in the event of temporary closure.

Our current intention is to reassure, not to alarm, and we are continuing with our advice to children to wash their hands carefully and cover their mouth when sneezing and coughing.

Where available, regular use of hand sanitizer is advisable. As a parent myself I understand parents and carers concerns and I thank you for your support in this and for trusting us at this worrying time.

We will continue to keep you updated should the situation change. If you are concerned at all, please refer to the following website; <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Thank you for your continued support and for your understanding in this matter.

**Mr K. Landrum  
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