

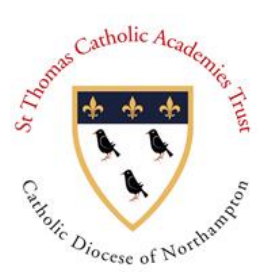


Learning, Growing
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St. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

In the Diocese of Northampton

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"The glory of God is
a human being fully alive"

4th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the decision made by the Government this evening regarding a full lockdown, we have no alternative but to close to pupils until it is deemed safe to reopen. This is anticipated to be until February half term, although this is not confirmed.

Therefore, on Tuesday 5th January 2021, we will be closed to all children for the day to enable us to fully prepare for our online provision and to put in place arrangements for children of key workers. We will be able to offer **emergency childcare** for children of hospital workers tomorrow; may I stress that this is emergency only, as our staff need time to prepare and change learning spaces within school. This provision will run from 9:00am to 3:00pm and you will need to provide evidence of your profession.

The Government has also indicated that nursery provision should remain open. Tomorrow we will run our nursery from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Please only send nursery children in tomorrow if absolutely necessary, to give our nursery team time to prepare their online provision. From Wednesday 6th January, we will be offering some nursery provision and will contact parents directly about this.

On Wednesday 6th January we will be open for children of key workers and children considered vulnerable. We will also be contacting families of children with Education and Health Care Plans to discuss provision for these children.

Please ensure you complete the survey sent out today to confirm whether or not you will need to send your child in to school during the lockdown period because you are a key worker. Additionally, please indicate if there is another reason why you think your child should be coming into school.

Can I also urge you to make sure that we have your most up to date contact details; email addresses, postal addresses and telephone numbers.

We understand that, during these challenging times, it can be difficult to deliver home learning and want to support you as much as possible. We will be emailing information to families tomorrow to confirm the arrangements for all children, Nursery to Year Six.

We will also confirm, as soon as possible, the arrangements for children entitled to free school meals.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and we will be in regular communication with you to notify you of the changes as they occur. God bless all of our families and children at this trying time; we are here to support you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Oppé

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