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Dear Parents/Carers

### **COVID-19 – School Closure**

It has been announced that from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 all schools in England will be closed as the government looks to increase measures to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus. We have been making plans for this event over the past week to support children and families during this period of school closure.

#### **Home Learning**

Your child will be bringing home a number of home learning exercises for them to complete during this period of school closure. Each teacher has put together a timetable of work to be completed which will be included in their home learning packs. Teachers will also be posting additional work onto the school website throughout this period of closure. When activities are set and uploaded families will receive an email/message alerting you to these activities and directing you to where they can be found. *If your child is not in school today, please collect the pack from the school office, as soon as possible (health depending). Office hours are between 8.30am-3.30pm*

#### **Staying in Contact**

During this period of school closure, please feel free to remain in contact with the school. Mrs Valentine will be able to pick up your answer phone messages each day and we will respond to these in an efficient manner. You will also be able to contact the school through emailing [office@sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk](mailto:office@sacredheart.peterborough.sch.uk). Mrs Binn's will forward your messages to the relevant member of staff and again staff will respond in an efficient manner.

#### **School Staff**

Unless staff are affected by the Coronavirus they will continue to work each day during the directed term-time dates. They will either be working from home and will be working hard to prepare further learning exercises, plan and prepare future learning activities etc or they will be in school caring for those children whose parents are 'key workers'. Therefore they will always be able to respond to questions or queries you may have during this period of school closure.

#### **School Site**

The school will remain open to those children whose parents are 'key workers' as outlined in the government guidance. If this affects you, further information will be shared in due course.

#### **Safeguarding Concerns**

During this period of time we want to ensure that the safety and welfare of all our children remains a priority. If you have any safeguarding concerns during this period of time please contact the school either



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by email or by phone message. Teachers will also aim to stay in regular contact with families, so please do not be surprised if teachers contact you either via the telephone, email or text message.

### **Updates and Messages**

Throughout this time messages about the on-going national situation will be communicated through the usual messaging channels: email, text message, website and school app. This will include when we have a confirmed reopening date.

We are in an unprecedented period of time and the main priority throughout this is the safety, wellbeing and health of all families across the country and here within our school community. It is vital that we follow the guidance provided, stand together as a community and support the most vulnerable people around us all.

I wish you all well and hope that we see you all again at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary school very soon.

Regards,

Mr M Cooper  
Headteacher

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