



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents/carers

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and pre-school has been asked by The Department for Education (DFE) to provide childcare during this critical time.

However, they have not provided the schools with any specialist training, health support equipment, specialist cleaning materials, ability to socially distance effectively or funding to try and support these times in any way.

Many of the children accepting this support are the children of frontline staff who are in daily contact with Covid19 patients and, as such, have an increased risk of carrying the virus.

The staff are exposing themselves and your child(ren) to heightened risk by accepting children into the school as they have been directed but you are accepting this risk by sending them into the school.

We apologise if this sounds blunt however we believe it is important to identify the parameters around which we are being asked to provide care. We totally agree that care provision for critical workers should be provided but specialist support/locations with specialist training should be being provided by the government locally.

If you wish to leave your child(ren) at school then please sign below acknowledging that we will do all we can but we are not specialist care providers in any way.

Should your child(ren) show any form of illness whilst on site we will be contacting you to collect them immediately as once again the health of other children or staff cannot be compromised.

Children's Name:

Parent Name:

Signed:

Date:

