

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE AS OF 11TH JANUARY 2021
- "STAY AT HOME!"

Dear Parents,

We find ourselves in a rapidly changing situation. You will have received a further letter from David Parr - Chief Executive of Halton Borough Council. The message is very clear 'Stay at Home!'. The crisis is worsening on a daily basis and we are moving to another phase!

The government has passed a law whereby we are asked to lockdown to reduce transmission of the virus. Transmission is escalating - some hospitals are now at full capacity - act as though everybody has the virus and stay at home.

I have a duty to risk assess our school for the benefit of children and staff. The more children we have in school, the higher the risk to staff and children. We still need to further reduce the numbers attending St Bert's. If you work at home in any capacity, your child does not need to be in school! Just because you have a place and are considered a keyworker does not mean your child has to use that space. As a school we are urging all those who work at home to keep their child safely at home - for at least the next couple of weeks. Engage in home learning if possible - if not, do not worry! The important thing is to stay safe.

If you are a 'blue light' critical worker then we are here for you. Doctors, nurses, police, fireman, teachers, Covid workers and other front line staff need childcare. In essence these are the only children who should now be in school except for those deemed 'vulnerable' in some way.

The message is very clear 'Stay at home!' or unavoidable deaths are going to occur in our community - and it could be your loved one! Do not be complacent.

I am hoping that parents will make a decision to 'Stay at home' rather than leave us in the unenviable position of having to refuse a space because we are aware or have been notified you are working from home. Please respect this plea for all our sakes!

Keep safe!

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