



# Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas' Catholic Primary School

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**CORONA VIRUS UPDATE 37b**

**FOR THE ATTENTION OF CRITICAL WORKER PARENTS**

**Critical Worker Parents**

Dear Parents

I hope that you are well and are able to undertake your critical work commitments with the knowledge that your children are in school where absolutely necessary.

We have noticed numbers creeping up as have many schools and the issue has been brought to the attention of the Local Authority, urging parents where possible to keep their children at home (last week's letter from Sefton local Authority). Guidance for critical workers have, at times, both worried and confused parents and schools alike

We know some critical workers have had to send their children to school when they are having to go out to work, some who are working at home have determined to keep them home whilst for others in this category it has not been possible to do so. Some family circumstances may have changed and the number of days you require may well have changed too. I recently received correspondence to this effect. Please contact the school if this is the case.

As we still have five staff absent until tomorrow from the last bubble closure, and we have four teaching staff who are managing remote learning full-time, we have to ensure that we are maintaining a sensible and safe balance and therefore, if you need to reduce/ change days, please keep the office up to date. Our system of critical worker employment checks will be extended further if numbers continue to increase.

Many thanks for your continued co-operation in this matter

Yours sincerely,

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