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Dear Parents/Carers,

The Government guidance is clear that children should remain at home wherever possible and even if you are a Critical Key Worker you should explore all other child care options before sending your child into school. If you are working from home then the safest place is for your child to be at home with you. We totally appreciate that it is difficult for so many of our parents to juggle work commitments and home learning but we must ensure that we work together to ensure the safety of our whole community. If you are at home working and sending your child into school please re consider as there could be another child in more need of a place e.g. front line NHS. Also if you are working shifts only send your child in on the days you work. Like all schools we are being inundated with requests for places and are doing our utmost to accommodate these however certain year groups are already functioning at full capacity.

The figures for Wigan are stark at the moment. Wigan had 1502 new cases identified in the latest 7 days*, a rate of 457 per 100,000 population and is the highest rate of new cases in Greater Manchester. Wigan is RED and an area for concern on the national escalation framework and currently categorised Very High Risk.

Please can parents and carers support us by not sending children to school unless absolutely necessary – stay at home.

Please see the letter attached from the Local Authority which reiterates this message.

kindest Regards
Mrs Newton



Through learning and loving we will follow Jesus.