

ST. CUTHBERT MAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Growing together in love and learning as followers of Jesus

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with sadness that I have to close St Cuthbert Mayne School following this evening's announcement by the Government – so soon after I had written to you saying we would be open on Wednesday.

We will move to Remote Learning as soon as possible and will be working on plans tomorrow. All class teachers will be working from home and using Google Classroom. We hope to offer more direct connection with pupils using this technology. It is vitally important that you let me know as soon as possible if your child does not have a device they can use during the day. Please email me on admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk if this is the case. Please note it is the admin email not the "office" email as stated in the guidance yesterday.

We will also be looking at how we staff school for critical workers and vulnerable children. These children will be supported to access remote learning in school, mostly supervised by our support staff. Please could you email the office on admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk, with the accompanying registration form, if you need your child to attend this group. It is likely that only those who are children of essential key workers or vulnerable/disadvantaged children will be able to attend. If you are unsure as to your child's eligibility please email admin@cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk and ask for clarification / request a telephone conversation.

We hope to be able to start remote learning from Wednesday – certainly making initial contact and suggestions – and building to more comprehensive teaching.

I will need to delay opening for key workers and vulnerable children until we have sorted out bubbles and staff. I hope to give indication of when this will start by Wednesday. In the meantime please complete the attached form if needed.

I will be in touch as soon as I have more details.

Kind Regards

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Head Teacher