



The Willows Catholic Primary School

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Wider Opening Update

Dear Parents,

We are experiencing a rapidly changing picture so I am sure you will understand the need for me to write again so soon after my last letter.

Many of you will have already heard on the news that late yesterday all schools received a letter from Lancashire County Council advising schools not to open to more pupils from 1st June but to continue with the current arrangements - following advice from Dr Sakthi Kurunthini, Lancashire's Director of Public Health)

[If you would like to read the fill statement, please click here.](#)

With the above information in mind, the Governing Body have taken the decision to follow the Local Authority's advice and so we will not be opening school to children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 until we are advised by the Local Authority that it is safe to do so.

Schools will be receiving updates from the Director for Public Health in Lancashire and Lancashire County Council. They will regularly review the situation and provide further advice to schools so that we can re-open as soon as it is safe to do so.

Our 'Key Worker Club' will continue to be open to the children who currently attend this provision.

At this particular time, we are unable to increase the number of places for this 'Key Worker Club' as school can only safely accommodate those pupils who have been accessing our provision to date. However, we will work with our Governing Body over the coming week to review this.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact myself (head@willows.lancs.sch.uk) or Mr. Wylde (bobwylde@willows.lancs.sch.uk).

We appreciate that this letter is sent at short notice but are confident that you will understand and support our Governor's decision. The safety and wellbeing of our children, families and staff must be our priority.

As soon as we have any further information I will contact you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs SA Barnett
Headteacher

Mr D Harrison
Acting Chair of Governors

