



# Our World

**Week Beginning: Monday 2 November 2020**



## This Week in Our World...

This week the focus of **'Our World'** is an update about Covid-19 following the recent announcement by Boris Johnson.

Boris Johnson made an announcement on Saturday, to tell the UK about the need for a second 'lockdown' starting on Thursday 5 November. The most important information for us is that schools will not be closing.



## What's the background?

We first learnt about Covid-19 (Coronavirus) in January when we heard about how it was affecting China.

School closed, to most of us, on Friday 20 March and we were instructed to 'Stay Home > Protect the NHS > Save Lives' by the Government on Monday 23 March. This has been called a 'Lockdown' by many.

Throughout August, restrictions were slowly lifted and schools reopened in September. The Government instructions were 'Hands > Face > Space'. We have been proactive in school to stick to these rules.



## Announcement

On Saturday evening, Boris Johnson made an announcement about using all the scientific data regarding the spread of Covid-19. The amount of people catching the virus has increased and to try to stop this he has introduced a second 'lockdown'. This 'lockdown' will last for four weeks and finish on 2 December.

This means that everyone is being asked to stay at home whenever possible.

You will still go to school, fortunately, they are staying open.



## New Rules

- People are being told to stay at home except for specific reasons
- These include work which cannot be done from home, childcare or education, exercise outdoors, medical reasons, essential shopping, providing care for vulnerable people or for volunteering, and visiting members of your support bubble
- Meeting indoors or in private gardens will not be allowed, but individuals can meet one other person from another household outside in a public place



## New Rules

- Non-essential retail will close, but can remain open for click-and-collect delivery
- Pubs, bars, restaurants must close, but can still provide takeaway and delivery
- Indoor and outdoor leisure facilities, such as gyms and swimming pools, will also close, along with entertainment venues and personal care facilities such as beauty salons
- Places of worship will close



## New Rules

- Construction sites and manufacturing workplaces can remain open
- Weddings and civil partnership ceremonies cannot take place, and funerals will be limited to a maximum of 30 people
- Children can move between homes if their parents are separated
- Clinically vulnerable people are asked to be "especially careful" but people are not being asked to resume shielding



## New Rules

- Overnight stays, staying in a second home, and holidays will not be allowed - including in the UK and abroad - although there are exceptions, such as work trips
- People should avoid all non-essential travel by private or public transport

It will feel very much like the lockdown we had back in March but this time you will still be able to come to school.

# Covid-19 Update



## What We Can Do



Keep up the good work and keep us all safe.

## facilities

**Facilities (noun – plural of facility)**

A place, building or piece of equipment provided for a particular purpose

