

# Falsehoods cannot win against this pandemic, but that w...

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One of the characteristics of Boris Johnson's government is its ability to pretend that events will happen when evidence suggests that to be very unlikely.

The whole of the Brexit narrative - and the dismissal of what they called 'project fear', which was actually a pretty accurate description of what might happen - was evidence of that.

The same is happening with Covid. The government is pretending that there will be no need for lock down this autumn when we know the number of cases is rising, as are deaths and the pressure on the NHS, and that this can only get worse as school cases increase and universities return to face-to-face teaching. Today the government is saying there will be no more lockdowns and that Christmas will not be cancelled even though this is happening:



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The NHS is currently under huge pressure. Last night at 01:30 I had a call from the hospital saying that major incident protocol has been declared and requested all oncall teams from all specialities to report to ED ASAP to help clearing 100s of queueing patients! @UHNH\_NHS

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Reality and the government's narrative are in conflict and they are pretending that their lies will win the day despite the rising number of deaths and the impossibility if the NHS providing care as demands on it continue to to rise.

Falsehoods cannot win against this pandemic, but that will not stop this government trying them. We will pay the cost until something is done to stop Johnson. With regard to which it's always worth remembering that Tory MPs always support their leader until

the moment when they don't, when they are pretty ruthless, as Thatcher found out.