

St Mary's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Learning and living together through faith and education

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our very first remote summer term following our Easter break! I hope you managed some down time and a change of routine over the past two weeks.

We have all had to adapt to new ways of working, so I wanted to take the opportunity to say what an amazing job you are doing supporting your child's wellbeing and home learning during lockdown.

It has definitely been a strange and challenging time. We understand that some parents and children feel worried or fed-up at the moment. We are here for you every step of the way as we try to figure this all out together! Remember, if you have any concerns about helping your child learn or you need any other support from the school, please let us know by contacting your child's class teacher through the Classdojo system.

As a staff we all miss the children very much, but we must follow the government's guidance to keep everyone in our community safe. We will continue to provide work and activities on class pages and keep in touch with you through Classdojo and provide limited and minimal childcare for critical workers. I know staff have been making phone calls and checking in with some of our families too.

But just because we are not all at school, doesn't mean we can't continue to have some fun together! Your children will have lots of activities they can get busy with over the summer term – so please keep a close eye on our website and particularly class web pages and Classdojo. Please keep visiting our school Facebook page too where you will find lots of additional information and photos of what our scattered school community have been doing. Our railings are filling up nicely with all the bright, colourful messages you have been sending in. Thank you!

We love to see the children's fantastic learning at home – please keep in touch through Classdojo!

Despite all the unhelpful media speculation, we are as yet unable to confirm when we will be able to open the school fully, but please rest assured, that we will continue doing our utmost to keep your child learning at home with you and our school community connected.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S M Fau-Goodwin

