

St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School

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10<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Dear Parents/Carers

## Daily Update

I would like to start by wishing you all an abundance of Easter Blessings, on this Good Friday. Yes, it is going to be a very unusual week for many but hopefully the Easter bunny will call and you will be able to share your creativity and family time together with us all. I have put an interactive Stations of the Cross PowerPoint, on the Faith Page, to share with your children. Sadly, this does not have the same impact, normally presented by the individual classes, in the church hall, but hopefully, it can still evoke meaning. I have also linked a beautiful book for children on our Learning Page (just before the photographs) which eloquently discusses the worries and concerns around 'coronavirus' seen through a child's eyes.

The staff have continued to set individual tasks on **Purple Mash** and engaged with the children. To be able to give our staff a break, I have asked them not to set any further tasks for the Easter period or respond to emails until the 20th April. There is an abundance of tasks on the individual year learning logs and challenges. I am extremely grateful to all of our staff for stepping up and agreeing to work, on a rota basis, throughout the Easter period, this includes Good Friday and Easter Monday; especially as many schools have not been able to facilitate this service. The **Free School Meal** service will continue as normal; Mrs Duke will contact you.

I will not be sending out my daily updates during the Easter break but we will be able to correspond with you all, if there is a need. The daily updates will resume on the 20<sup>th</sup> April; Father Peter's daily message will continue to be sent out.

## Remember:

Where possible, children should be safely cared for at home. However, we understand that this may be difficult for some key workers. We are here to look after the children of our key workers who are critical to the Covid-19 response and vulnerable children who may need our support.

Please can you ensure that we have up to date details if your situation changes:

- If you have indicated that you will need child care for your child on a particular day and then your situation changes, please inform us immediately, otherwise, in line with our safeguarding duties, you will receive a phone call from school
- Is anyone in your household self isolating?
- Do you no longer require childcare and have not informed the school?
- Are you due to or have you finished a period of self isolation?
- Is it possible to alternate your work shift pattern, within the household, so that one parent/carer is able to care for your child?

Please correspond by email if any of the above applies to you and we will respond during the normal school hours. Head Teacher: Mrs Alexis Satterthwaite



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## A moment of reflection:

"I believe that the Holy Spirit will give the grace to all Christians so that they may experience a "beautiful and profound" Holy Week. "

Pope Francís



## Charlíe Mackesy

Remember...

"We are always walking in the footsteps of Christ."

Easter Blessings – stay safe, Alexis Satterthwaite Head Teacher