



# Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to home learning after the Easter break. The sunshine was, and continues to be, an added bonus. The weather certainly means that we can appreciate the beautiful area in which we live whilst we are doing our daily exercise.

I have heard from many families who have generally been finding it more challenging this week. Routine is key and changing a routine can take time to adapt to. If you had a complete break from learning over Easter you may be finding it tougher this week. As long as you maintain your routine into next week and stick to it, you will hopefully start to find it a little easier. For those of you who have been completing all the learning and whose books are filling quickly, there is always a supply of new exercise books at the school front door.

The teachers are continuing to share ideas and develop their practice with the delivery of the home learning. The learning plans have a combination of electronic links and more practical ideas that can be adapted so that a day in front of the computer is not necessary. It has been lovely to see the photos which many of you have sent in. Some of these can be seen on the year group blogs on our website.

Please continue to be mindful of some of the pitfalls of working online. I am including below some excellent resources created by CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command) to help you bring to the attention of your children possible areas to be aware of. The packs are short and allow parent and child to discuss their thoughts on the scenarios presented. Click on the relevant age group [5-7s](#) [8-10s](#) [8-10s](#) [14+](#)

A new [Parent Info](#) article look at some of the things parents and carers should think about to make sure their child's experience of video chat is safe and fun:

- [Video chatting: a guide for parents and carers of primary school-age children](#)

This week I have had an Ethos Meeting with two of our Governors where the focus was on the continuation of school collective worship. I am pleased to say that Reverend Sally will be leading a short assembly (approx. 10 mins) on Monday morning at 12 noon. Over the next four weeks I will be sending out a Zoom invitation to join the assembly at the following times:

Monday 27 April	Noon
Monday 4 May	Noon
Monday 11 May	4pm
Monday 18 May	Noon



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If we continue to remain in lock down beyond the 18 May the worship will continue to be delivered at noon every Monday. Thank you to Reverend Sally for providing this valuable part of our school life.

I am conscious that some of you will be experiencing changes in your working arrangements, possibly losing your income. If your circumstances change and you feel you may be eligible for free school meals please contact the school through the school office.

School attendance remains an important part of our role in keeping everyone safe. In these unprecedented times I am monitoring the contact of families so that we can offer support where needed. Your teacher will be checking Zoom meeting attendance, email contact and receipts of home learning. If we have not had contact with you over the week your child's class teacher will be in touch to make sure everything is alright. If repeated attempts to contact parents fail then I will be reporting this to the Education Welfare Service. Please help by responding to emails and telephone calls from your teachers and school.

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Jill Gilmour who was appointed some time ago as the new Office Administrator has officially started. Unfortunately, due to the current circumstances she won't be in the office regularly at the moment but I would like to take this opportunity to welcome her to the team. I look forward to the time when she will be able to meet and work with our school community.

Please remember that I am in school during school hours. Please feel free to contact me through the school office. I am attaching Key Worker Booking Forms to this email to use from the week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> May if required. Please remember your child continues to be safer at home but if your role is essential and child care is required please get in touch with the school office.

*Louise Lovegrove*



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