

Dear Parents/Carers/Governors and Parishioners,

It certainly has been a quiet week in school without our wonderful children and staff. We appreciate that it may have been not so quiet at home!

Class Dojo continues to be received positively and we would like to say a huge well done and thank you to you all for adapting to our new remote learning platform. It has been a pleasure to see the fantastic work uploaded onto the children's portfolios and they should be very proud of what they have achieved. We most certainly are!

During these difficult times we have had many messages of support which are greatly appreciated.

Thank you

We understand that many of you are working from home and trying to home-school at the same time. It is certainly not an easy task and we do not want to add any additional pressure in already exceptional circumstances. Please know, that we appreciate all of your efforts and understand that it is not always possible to complete all of the tasks set. Please do what is manageable for you; you are all doing a brilliant job.

The extreme circumstances we find ourselves in are undoubtedly a huge pressure on us all but we know if we continue to work together we will succeed.

As of w/c 12<sup>th</sup> October we will be welcoming our children back in a phased return.

As our local infection rate continues to rise, please could we urge adults to wear face coverings when on the school site. For some, this is not possible. This can be for a whole host of reasons including communication issues and specific medical needs, so please be aware and be kind to others if they cannot wear a mask.

To avoid congestion please ensure you enter and leave the school site quickly.

Also, we would like to remind you, that in order to keep numbers on site to a minimum, only one adult per family will be allowed to drop off and/or pick up.

Dogs are not permitted on or around the school/church sites.

If you are using school class WhatsApp groups to support and communicate with each other – please make sure IT IS support. We are aware some members of the groups have felt uncomfortable due to unfair pressure and negativity during this difficult time. If you have any issues or concerns, please contact school so we can respond appropriately and help in any way we can. We also want to make it clear that any personal statements made on line about any member of staff within school will be addressed directly.

Whilst Class Dojo is an effective means of classroom communication between teacher and parent, Mrs Ludford kindly requests that all absences, appointments and general queries are still made via the school office.

Please understand that by working together we can continue to make our school as safe as possible for us all. We are doing this to try and protect everyone and follow the official guidance; it is not to be difficult or make life harder than necessary at this time.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all soon!

Take care and God Bless

Mrs Maher