

# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School



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Dear parents/carers,

As we come to the end of our second week in this unprecedented time school closure and COVID-19, I would like to express my huge thanks to every parent and carer who is staying at home and following the government guidelines to 'Stay at home and stay safe.'

I would like to make it quite clear to everyone that teachers are uploading a wide variety of tasks and suggested activities on the school website, however this is with the idea that parents and children can pick and mix what they would like to do. There is **NO expectation** that every child should complete every task every day – that would simply be unmanageable. Staff are putting on a wide variety of suggestions to try and cater for all the pupils in their classes and I am grateful to them for all their hard work in researching and finding so many different and interesting resources.

Please be aware that as we come to the end of today, you should have all been planning to go off and spend time with family and friends over the Easter holidays; eating chocolate and sunbathing. However, we are now in for a very different type of Easter break – the most important thing over the next two weeks is to spend time with your family, learn how to use Facetime, Zoom or Microsoft Teams (I am sure there are a number of other very good tools out there!) and communicate with loved ones and remind ourselves what is important – that is family, friends and each other. We continue to keep school open for the children of our key workers over the whole Easter holiday period. Over the next two weeks staff are only going to post a quick message on Monday and Friday, to wish you all Easter Blessings.

I truly appreciate all of your continued support through what is a difficult and challenging time. I am keeping the whole community in my prayers and I really hope that this enforced absence will be as short as possible, meanwhile may God Bless you all and your families over the Easter Holidays.

Yours sincerely,  
*A D Thorpe*

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