

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family are safe and well.

We hope you were able to have an enjoyable 'half term' and a nice Bank Holiday Monday.

School is beginning to get ready to open to more pupils this half-term, the children from Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 6 in addition to continuing to offer care to the children of Key Workers. School will remain to be VERY different for the children who return to school and the parents of children in these classes should have received additional information about how school will be different – including different timings to the 'normal' school day, lunchtimes, smaller classes and a VERY different way of working.

We will continue to get in touch by phone to see how the children are getting on with their online activities and to keep in touch. For those that don't have internet access or access to devices we will make arrangements to provide paper packs of work if you need them. You can request these when we give you a call. For those that do have access, please continue to use our recommended daily online learning sites: BBC Bitesize, educationcity.com and The National Academy. If you have any questions or need any advice please give the school a call.

## **First Holy Communion and Confirmation (Year 3 and 6)**

As I'm sure you're aware, places of worship are closed and gatherings forbidden. This means that First Holy Communion and Confirmation is postponed indefinitely at this time. We will contact you to let you know when it can be rearranged but this is unlikely to be for some time yet and certainly not before the end of the academic year. We will work together with the Church and let you know the new arrangements as soon as we can.

## **Keep in touch!**

I really mean it when I say we miss you all terribly and can't wait until it's safe to be back together. School is certainly not the same without all the children and their families. In the meantime you know where we are if you need us and we'll be calling you to say hello again soon. Please again accept our kindest wishes if you have been affected by illness and our most heartfelt sympathy and care if you have lost a loved one.

We keep you and all of your families in our prayers all the time.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S Chapman'.

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