



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your understanding during the past week. We have had to respond quickly once again to a nationwide lockdown and we are doing our best to ensure that all children are accessing learning, whether in school or remotely.

I think it has been made even more difficult for us this time as we did not get a chance to welcome back the children after the Christmas holidays. They are the heart and soul of our school! Although we remain partially open, as before, it is not the same as having every class full of our happy, smiling children.

At the end of last week, teachers began contacting the families of children who are learning at home to make sure all is well. If you have not received a call yet, please anticipate one this week.

Home Learning

The remote learning policy will be shared with you today. It states our curriculum offer and our expectations of parents and children. We understand that for those of you working from home or with more than one child, it may be more difficult to organise home learning. Please try to do what you can.

Later this week will send out a questionnaire to gain your thoughts on how home learning is going.

'School Closure' info on website

We will continue to put newsletters and any other information on the school website.

<https://www.ourladyoflourdes-primary.trafford.sch.uk/school-information/covid-19-updates>.

This will be updated as the information changes.

Contact arrangements

If you need to contact school at this time, please do the following:

To contact your child's class teacher – continue to use the Seesaw app or Tapestry app.

To contact the school office – you can still ring school or send an email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Spiritual Well-being

We have purchased a subscription to the Ten:Ten Assembly resources and we hope to share a weekly assembly with you on Seesaw or Tapestry. The children who are in school will access the assembly on Monday mornings.

CAFOD also have some good resources and you can access their weekly children's liturgy through registering on their website:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

If you unable to attend Mass at this time, services are being live streamed from All Saints and can be accessed through the following link:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/sale>

Mental Health and Well-being

At this time of year, it can be quite difficult to stay positive, especially as the short days and murky weather make it difficult to get out.

The following organisations provide a range of resources that may support you at this time:

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/2020/april/supporting-children-young-people-mental-health>

<https://youngminds.org.uk/resources/>

General support

The following link includes Coronavirus updates specific to Trafford and a Trafford Community Response page that details the support from a range of agencies at this time:

www.trafford.gov.uk/Engagement/Covid-19/Coronavirus-COVID-19-updates-and-advice.aspx

Please also remember that we are here to support you. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you need help in any way.

All best wishes,

Mrs Diane Furlong

Head teacher