

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School



'Walking in the footsteps of Jesus, loving and serving together'

Monday 30th March 2020

Dear Parents and children,

It has been one week since we all embarked on the home learning journey. I would like to say a huge thank you for your continued support... and well done with your first week of being home educators. Parents find a quiet spot in the home, put your feet up and make yourself a cup of tea... you deserve it! Home schooling your children is not easy and as we continue on this journey, I hope it gets easier for us all.

The staff are also getting used to the idea of home learning and although we miss the children's presence here in school, it is good to know that through these difficult times we can support you at home with learning and activities that your family can share. Please can I remind you that if your child's teacher is on duty in school, they will be unable to carry out the home learning feedback on that day. The teachers are on a rota to keep the school going in term time, but this means that they cannot do both. Your class teacher will inform you the night before that they will not be online the following day.

On a different note, we sadly say goodbye to one of our amazing team, Candy Jones will be leaving our team on April 17th as she moves onto pastures new. She will be working for Wiltshire Council as a Teaching assistant. We wish her well and thank her for all her many roles in the school over the years. From TA, MDSA, class cover to walking bus... and the list goes on. She will always be a part of our school community and we hope to see her at our PFA events in the future.

I have heard from some parents who are encouraging their children to learn a life skill, such as improving their cooking skills or, for the older children, learning about the engine of a car....with an adult!! Whatever these exciting skills are that you choose to do, I look forward to hearing all about them when we return.

Above all, ENJOY your time together, play games, have fun and remember to have down time!

Have a great week and thank you for being such Fantastic parents, supporting your children and supporting us!

Remember we are on the end of the phone, email or Dojo, missing you all.

Stay safe and well, God bless

Mrs S Woods, Head teacher