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We welcomed back some of our Reception and Year 1 children this week to a very different St Mary's that they left in March, the children have adapted well and are working hard within their new bubbles. We hope you found the videos shared useful to show our new routines.



Please remember that we try our best with the 2m rule, however, as stated in the government guidelines this can be difficult with young children. We have provided a range of well being strategies to help the children understand the need for social distancing.

Thank you to our parents for your patience and understanding with our new pick up and collection arrangements. It's gone smoothly as everyone has followed the appropriate time slots. Please see our website if you are unsure.

There are links on our school website for Prayers at Home, the daily prayers for each week and the weekly liturgies are added to every week. Please do have a look at them.

Please also see our website for the new privacy information which has come from Plymouth CAST under Statutory Information.

Pupil Work

For Years 2, 3 & 4 home learning work will be loaded to our school website on Monday as usual.

Year 1 Parents, we would ask that you:

- Continue to complete the daily phonics sessions with Mrs Hunns
- Revisit the learning which has been set since March to complete work that you haven't already accessed
- Visit https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p click on the link to BBC Bitesize which will bring you to a selection of learning.

• Visit https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/year-1#subjects which will bring you to a variety of learning.

We have received emails from parents asking when other year groups will return, in particular, Year 4. Unfortunately, we do not have any information about this, when we do, we will share this with you. Mrs Pegram, the Year 5 Transition lead at St Osmund's has been emailing transition information to Year 4 families weekly, we are sure this will have been very helpful.

Have a restful weekend and as always thank you for your continued patience, support and understanding.

Best wishes

P. Fearn

Mrs Paula Fearn **Head Teacher**