



# *St Mary's Catholic Primary School*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to begin by expressing my thanks to you all it has not been the spring term that any of us expected, in fact the whole year has set us so many challenges but because we have worked together as a school family we have able to get to this point with only one 'Bubble Closure' in the whole year. We could not have achieved what we have achieved without your support, you have followed instructions and been your child's teacher, you have looked after them 24/7 often with no support, you have made memories with your children that they will never forget and for all these things we say .....

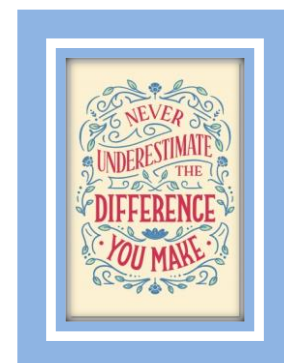


We could not have made it to the Easter break without such amazing staff and I am sure you will all join me in an enormous thank you to each and every one of them. Our whole school life has been turned upside down and all daily routines have had to change. My job has been to organise the way forward but we would not have kept everyone as safe as we have if we did not have such a dedicated school team to ensure that all the safety measures have been actioned. I have personally written to them all to thank them on your behalf for doing such a splendid job and to wish them all a restful Easter.

**THANK YOU**  
**TEACHERS & STAFF!**

Over the past 4 years we have been fortunate to have developed a very strong, supportive and reliable set of Governors on the governing board. They do more work than you will ever realise quietly behind the scenes. They all deserve a special thank you for following the scheme of delegation and ensuring that all governor responsibilities are signed off. I would particularly like to thank Mrs Monika Kwiatkowska who has served many years as a governor and has recently stepped down from this position.

I would like to welcome Mr Adrian Nightingale and Mrs Kerry Houston- Kypta who have recently joined the board and have already made a difference. We have currently two parents



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who are in discussion with us with regards to applying to become a governor. It is not too late to show an interest in this position.

I also wanted to mention 'Your' children who have also had a special part to play over the past year. They have all been through so much in such their short lives. They are certainly making history.

They have proved that they have the virtues of 'Faith', 'Hope' and 'Charity' (Love). They have faced something so big and still they strive to be the best they can be, whilst thinking of others at the same time.

We are so lucky that we have your children in our school family and wish them all a very Happy Easter.

I know that you have all gone the extra mile and because of that St. Mary's will continue to go from strength to strength. We hope that as we look forward to the summer term there will be some things that will be able to change for the better. However, I do not envisage that we will be back to normal by July but hopefully we will near something near normality come the autumn term.

I hope you all have a relaxing, peaceful and special Easter break and that you have the opportunity to spend time with loved ones and enjoy special times. Sending you all, best wishes and prayers for a very peaceful Easter and a well-deserved break.

God bless,

*Helen Armstrong*

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