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Dear Parents,

We are at the end of a very different week! And sadly our school is now closed until further notice. We have been working hard behind the scenes to prepare for this and I thank you for your patience.

Please take great care of yourselves and your families during this period of uncertainty. Try to use the time you spend together well, we know that time with loved ones is very precious.

Sending you our warmest wishes and take great care,

Mrs K Yuen

Executive Headteacher

"Walking Together in the Light of the Lord"

A Teacher's Prayer

I want to teach the children how to live this life on Earth.

To face its struggles and its strife and improve their worth,

Not just the lesson in the book or how the rivers flow,

But how they choose the proper path wherever they may go,

To understand eternal truth and know the right from wrong

And gather all the beauty of a flower and

Congratulations to Bishop David Oakley who was ordained yesterday. I'm sure you will join us in prayerful thanksgiving. We look forward to welcoming him at our school in the future!

Keeping in Touch

I will keep you all updated as plans for the school's reopening develop —please consult our Twitter feed, website and do check on Parentmail as well!



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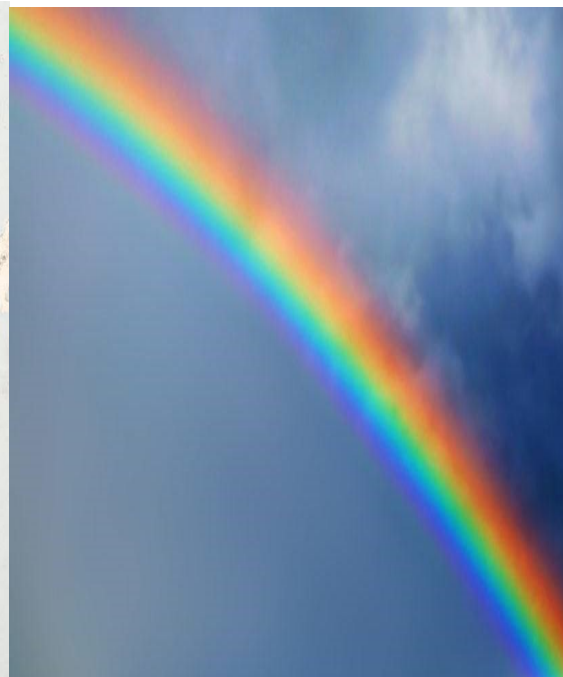
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"AND THE PEOPLE STAYED HOME. AND READ BOOKS, AND LISTENED, AND RESTED, AND EXERCISED, AND MADE ART, AND PLAYED GAMES, AND LEARNED NEW WAYS OF BEING, AND WERE STILL. AND LISTENED MORE DEEPLY. SOME MEDITATED, SOME PRAYED, SOME DANCED. SOME MET THEIR SHADOWS. AND THE PEOPLE BEGAN TO THINK DIFFERENTLY.

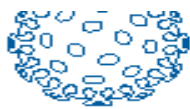
"AND THE PEOPLE HEALED. AND, IN THE ABSENCE OF PEOPLE LIVING IN IGNORANT, DANGEROUS, MINDLESS, AND HEARTLESS WAYS, THE EARTH BEGAN TO HEAL.

"AND WHEN THE DANGER PASSED, AND THE PEOPLE JOINED TOGETHER AGAIN, THEY GRIEVED THEIR LOSSES, AND MADE NEW CHOICES, AND DREAMED NEW IMAGES, AND CREATED NEW WAYS TO LIVE AND HEAL THE EARTH FULLY, AS THEY HAD BEEN HEALED."

-KITTY O'MEARA



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Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



KILL IT
by washing
your hands
with soap & water or
hand sanitiser



**After breaks
& sport
activities**



**Before
cooking
& eating**



**SCHOOL
ETC.**
On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting



**After using
the toilet**



**Before
leaving
home**



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.



If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately