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HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

During these uncertain times, it has been so inspiring to see the school community work together as a team. We have certainly lived out our Catholic values and taken care of each other and I thank you most sincerely for your support.

The children have been very sensible and calm throughout this changing period and have listened to and acted upon the important messages regarding how to keep safe at this time.

The children are fully prepared for their home learning and teachers will be monitoring their progress closely. We recognise that each child's education is important. We of course will strive to support the children in the best way we can throughout the closure so that they continue to make excellent progress and stay aligned to their curriculum. In the coming weeks parents will receive a brief interim report after Easter detailing attainment in key areas. I would like to thank all of the staff for their commitment to ensuring the children are equipped for their home learning.

In order to keep our school sense of community during the closure, I will continue to send the newsletter each week. It would be nice to include snippets from parents about family activities, new skills, crafts and fun in the garden. If you would like to share any activities with our school community please email admin@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk

If during our closure you have any questions, please contact our helpdesk, helpdesk@stvincents.trafford.sch.uk and we will provide answers to any questions you may have.

I have ended our newsletter with a prayer from Pope Francis.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,



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to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial,
but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Although many of our children will not be in school for some time, we very much look forward to the day when
we can welcome them all back and be together in our community.

I hope that you and your wider family stay safe and that we can all meet again soon.

With thanks and best wishes for you and your family,

Mrs Harrop

