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Dear Parent / Carer

Whole School Update Friday 3 April 2020

I write to you as we approach the Easter holidays.

Under normal circumstances these holidays would be a chance for everyone to stop and take a break and spend time with family and friends. We would be attending Holy Thursday and Good Friday services and Easter Sunday Masses. This year however, we are living under the most abnormal of circumstances and we are all adapting to a new way of life and work.

The girls must be congratulated for the way in which they have adapted to this new way of learning. The majority of them have been completing their work to a high standard under what in some cases must be quite difficult situations. We are very aware that in many homes there are a number of children competing for the technology. I want to thank parents for their patience and support in helping their daughters cope with the difficulties and encouraging them in their studies.

We will not be setting any work over the holidays. The girls can take the opportunity to complete any unfinished work and then I hope that they take time to rest and focus on other aspects of their lives. Mrs Adams and the Heads of Department have produced an amazing pack of suggested fun, educational activities for the girls to keep them occupied indoors as our ability to spend time outside is restricted. I hope they take time to look through the suggestions and engage in as many of them as they can. The pack is called **Additional Activities** and is attached and can also be found under the News section of the website.

As we approach Holy Week the most significant week in our Liturgical Calendar, we will all find it extremely strange not to be attending church services. Marie Norbury our chaplain, has prepared a week of reflections and activities for you to use with your families this week if you wish. The pack is entitled **An at Home Family Retreat for Holy Week** and is on the website under the News section.

Can I remind you that school remains closed for the foreseeable future except for the children of key workers who have indicated they need their children looked after in school because they have no other available provision. If you need support we will do our best to help. We would need at least 24 hours' notice to be able to make the necessary arrangements.

Lastly many thanks again for all your patience and support in these trying times. Let's all pray that everyone in our communities stay safe and well over the coming weeks.





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I hope you manage to get some rest and some quality family life despite what is going on around us all.

Please continue to maintain contact and check the website for any updates. I wish you all a holy and happy Easter.

Yours faithfully

Catrina Hamilton

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Headteacher

