



# St Saviour's RC Primary School

*Pray Together, Learn Together, Stronger Together in Jesus*



22<sup>nd</sup> April 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Coronavirus: School Closure Update**

I hope that you, your family and friends are all safe and well and you had as nice an Easter as possible in the current climate. We are still open for children of Critical Workers at the St Mary's/St Saviour's Hub and all the staff have made us feel very welcome.

Of course, we are all still concerned about your children's education and wellbeing. I would like to reassure you that school staff and I will continue to be on hand to support you through these challenging times. If you need to speak with us in the meantime, please telephone us at the St Mary's school office on 0208 6902613 or email us on the following link

[admin@stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk)

## **Remember to Keep Calm**

As we enter the fourth/fifth week of the global pandemic it is important to remember that we all need to keep calm. We have all been cooped up with our loved ones for a long time now, and speaking from personal experience, tempers can become a little frayed!

Please remember if your child or spouse is driving you to the point of distraction, take a walk, talk to a friend or count to ten. As a society we have never been put in this position since the war, and I hope we don't see it again in our lifetime.

Please keep calm and don't do or say anything that you could regret later!

## **Free School Meal vouchers**

Many of our families have started to receive food vouchers from St Saviour's because their children are eligible for a free school meal. The government have recently announced a 'term time' £15 food voucher scheme for all pupils who are entitled to a free school meal. Poor Mrs Reid has spent countless hours on the new system (which has crashed due to demand frequently!) and thanks to her determination vouchers have now started to go out. I do hope this is making life a little more comfortable for our FSM families.

If you do not know whether they are entitled to free school meals, we are encouraging all of our families to apply by following this link

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/student-pupil-support/free-school-meals-and-extra-support-for-your-child>

## **Home Learning Update**

I hope that the children have continued to enjoy their home schooling! Work is constantly updated to the website, in between our staff working in shift teams at the Hub.

Again, I would like to thank all our staff who are able to work and give a provision to parents and carers with their own key jobs in tackling COVID19.

Please remember our staff and all teachers and support staff every Thursday as we quite rightly give a huge round of applause to the incredible, brave work of our NHS.

Please visit our website class pages: [http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home\\_school/](http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home_school/) for details and links to the Home Learning Packs and Useful Websites.

Mr Chown continues to post his YouTube learning videos and Miss Kelly has set up an on line reading library for all children from Reception to Yr 6.

Please visit the web site address above to access these –

[http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home\\_school/](http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home_school/)

## **Home Learning Gallery**

We have set up a gallery of the children's Home Learning on the school website so if there is anything that your child is extremely proud of or work set by our teachers which is done at home, please email it to the school office, as we would love to be able to share this! The easiest way is to take a photo and send it to [admin@stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk).

Home School Gallery - [http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home\\_school/home\\_school\\_gallery/](http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home_school/home_school_gallery/)

## **Home Learning**

As we have not officially started the Summer Term please remember to check the website weekly for the excellent work our staff continue to set. It is of course incredibly hard for the teachers to try and plan work where they can't give any pre context or input, but I'm sure you'll agree they are doing an amazing job and keeping our children busy!

- Continue to hear your child read every day and read them lots of stories
- Enjoy cooking some healthy meals together, you can also ask your child to write the recipe or measure the ingredients
- Take your daily exercise outside wherever possible and look out for signs of Spring and new life – birds, animals, plants and (hopefully) some sunshine!
- Write letters to friends and family, or keep a diary
- Continue to logon to 'Education City' and practise your maths and literacy
- Visit the school website class page and try out some of the amazing online learning that we have created links to: [http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home\\_school/](http://www.stsaviours.lewisham.sch.uk/home_school/)

On behalf of all of the staff and governors, please can I wish you and your family health, peace and safety during the coming weeks. Everyone in the St Saviour's School Community will continue to keep every family in our thoughts and prayers, ***you are not forgotten!***

Yours sincerely

Mr D Houson  
Headteacher