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9th April, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians

On behalf of all staff I would like to thank you for your support over the past few weeks and wish you a safe and peaceful Easter.

The last three weeks have been difficult for us all as we attempt to come to terms with staying at home and social distancing. I can only imagine how difficult it must be for our children to understand the seriousness of the times we are living in.

It's very sad to be in school these days. It's extremely quiet and we miss the sounds of the children talking, laughing and playing. This week our Key Stage Two children were scheduled to perform our spring show 'What a Knight' which promised to be a great show, like so many that have been performed in the past. Our Primary 7 children usually enjoy a 'Big Breakfast' on Holy Thursday to celebrate their final Easter in school. Hopefully, the children will be able to return before the end of the school year and we will hear them joking and laughing with their friends in the yard. We could bid farewell to our Primary 7 children before they embark on their new educational journeys; however we will have a special celebration for them in autumn if school remains closed.

I would like to thank all parents for the work you have been doing with your children over the past few weeks. It was brilliant to view the pictures of the children completing their learning on the website and you are obviously doing a brilliant job. Although, I'm sure like myself you will be glad to take a bit of a break from home schooling over Easter. The teachers have also been monitoring the children's learning and are pleased that most of the children are accessing the online learning tasks. Week 3 of the homework packs will commence on Monday 20th April and further tasks will be assigned on Mathematics from this date. I will be in contact with you after Easter to arrange the collection of our next Homework packs, which are scheduled to begin on Monday 4th May if schools continue to remain closed. I would like to thank all our staff for their commitment and support to the children's learning. They have already started to work on the next packs with some teachers even having their packs finished.

On behalf of the whole school community I would like to acknowledge the brilliant work of our frontline workers and community volunteers who are providing essential support for us all and the most vulnerable. I would particularly like to thank our: parents, family members and past pupils who are 'NHS Heroes'. Their commitment and dedication to save lives is truly an inspiration. Our past pupils who are involved in these roles are great ambassadors for our school. We are all incredibly grateful and proud of the contribution you are making.

I hope you and your children have a peaceful and safe Easter. Please continue to email your photographs to Mrs Mc Cloy (amccloy737@c2kni.net) and I will be in contact after the Easter break.

If you have any queries, suggestions or concerns please email me: tmckee362@c2kni.net.

Please stay at home and stay safe.

Take care and all the best,

Tomás Mc Kee

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