

Dear Parents,

I hope this email finds you well.

Over the next two or three weeks the Teachers from Year 1 to Year 6 will be scheduling a phone call with every child in their class. The teachers would like to talk to the children about what they have been doing in addition to their online learning and class blogs.

They want to talk about how the children are feeling and also praise them for the efforts they have made in their learning.

Each class teacher will let you know via email at the beginning of the week when to expect a call from them. Whilst the children have been able to hear their teacher's voices on the teaching blogs and the verbal feedback tool on Purplemash , a one to one call with your child will hopefully make them feel they are still very much part of St Catherine's.

The EYFS teachers have been able to communicate with the Nursery and the Reception children via Tapestry. They will continue to send the children messages and recordings which we know you and the children have really appreciated since the home learning has started.

Over the next few weeks we will also be letting you know what we have planned to support your child with their transition to their new class.

For now there is still 5 weeks left of learning and Ms Pavlou our Assistant Head and Maths Leader would love for all the children to utilise the White Rose resources on the school home learning page. If you click on the White Rose icon there are numerous teaching videos and activities for the children to engage in. The answers are available too. Please have a go and let us know how you get on in the class blogs.

To update you on our Risk Assessment which is on the school website we have received enough PPE to open for the first of the designated year groups. These include the much needed visors and the pedal bins. The signs are on their way to us as I write this email. The company has promised us faithfully!

This means some of our Nursery children will be welcomed back to school next Monday. We hope you and the children enjoyed the powerpoint we sent you to help you prepare you all for the new procedures and the new environment. So that our school community feel as safe as possible please follow the procedures I have sent you in previous communications regarding keeping to time slots, keeping a 2 metre distance and saying goodbye to your child at the gate. We will do our very best to make this a positive experience for all the children.

Thank you to the parents of all the children who are in our Childcare bubbles. You have been very accommodating in following the new procedures. The children have been especially good at following the guidelines too and wait patiently on their spot on the playground at dismissal.

The week after next we look forward to welcoming some of our Reception children. Please look out for your powerpoint next week.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and please continue to take care!

Best wishes

Miss M Kelly