



KEYHAM BARTON CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear School Family,

We have had four complete weeks of remote learning now and I just wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you. These last few weeks have been hard. We have all been trying to balance work and remote learning and I know motivation gets lower the longer we go on. The fact that you have all transformed to remote learning and supported us with getting all children online has been nothing short of amazing! Thank you for all you are doing. We are at the end of Google Classrooms, or at the end of the phone if you need us for anything.

Next week is mental health awareness week and we suggest that all children wear colourful mufti every day. If you're coming into school, wear mufti next week and if you are at home, try and find some bright colours to wear!

We have also decided to have a 'NO IT AFTERNOON!' This means that on a Friday afternoon we encourage you to be away from your screens. You can play a game with your family, get outside, do some baking or just chill out and read a book! Your teachers will post activities supporting this and giving you ideas.

Well done for the fantastic effort shown by all our Keyham family this week! It has been brilliant to see the children on Google Meets and for them to share their fabulous online learning! I managed to pop into every meeting and it's really made my day to see so many smiling faces!

Google Meets are Mondays and Fridays where the children get to see their classmates and teachers. We are all really enjoying these!

Class	Time
EYFS	1pm
Y1	10.00
Y2	11.00
Y3	9:00
Y4	11:30
Y5	9:30
Y6	10:30

Let us know of any further requirements you need to get your children up and running on online learning as we are keen to support you in any way we can.

Lockdown Learning at Keyham Barton!



In this week's Lockdown Hall of Fame, we have:

Courage: Robyn & Holly
Kindness: Anna & Maisa
Compassion: Lilly-Mai & Lacey
Forgiveness: Daniel H & Arabella
Peace: Lincoln and Liliana
Integrity: Bonnie and Finley
Justice: Phineus and Jason

Here are some of the Keyham family, hard at work on their remote learning!

Year 1 and 2 have been learning that Jesus is the Light of the world and have been creating some fantastic artwork linked to light.



We also have the Great Fire of London and some baking!



Our Y5/6 bubble has been drawing animals in the style of George Stubbs. We had really animated discussions about their various pets. We know a lot about chickens now! Liam C is the man with the info!



Jason has also been working through the Moggy Modules created by the Cats Protection and is currently creating a cardboard castle for his cat - Pancake Palace!

What a variety of activities! Well done to our fantastic children and a huge thank you to all the parents and families supporting us in keeping them learning!



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Listen!



This week's Gospel begins on the Sabbath, which is the Jewish holy day. Jesus goes to the synagogue in Capernaum to teach people about God. As soon as the people hear Jesus speak, they are impressed by what he says and the way he speaks.

There is a man there who is ill. He is so ill that no-one knows how to make him better. Jesus knows what to do, however, and he heals the man.

All the people are amazed and impressed. They've never seen anyone with that much power before and many people followed him after that day.

Jesus explained God to the people in a way they had never heard before. He described God as a Father and as someone that loves us and is always there for whatever we need. Not as a big, bearded, scary being in the sky, but as someone who loves us and is there for us whenever we need Him.

Action

CAFOD have released a campaign this week to show how even though we are apart, we are still all connected. The idea is that you decorate the water droplet poster attached with this email and put it in your window! As you take your daily walks and exercise, walk with a purpose and walk for water - looking out for other water droplets in other windows. If we all do it, there should be a lot of water droplets to see!

Join CAFOD's Water Droplet Trail and find out more about this on:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Organise-an-event/Big-Walk-for-Water>

Here are this week's Top Online Learners.



EYFS	Mason
Y1	David
Y2	Caleb



Y6	Phineus
Y5	Mackenzie
Y4	Lincoln
Y3	Michael
Y2	Mohammad



Y6	Pixie
Y5	Jaxon
Y4	Patrick W-H
Y3	Jesus
Y2	Jacob James
Y1	Emmet
EYFS	Oliver G

Parent Coffee and Drop-In Zoom



Every Friday, I will open a Google Meet drop-in for a virtual coffee and chat from 1.30-2pm. This will be an informal drop-in for parents to virtually meet me for a coffee and a chat weekly.

I know that many of us are isolated and that home learning is hard work, so this is just an opportunity for you to say hello and have a chat.

I'm open to suggestions for timings, but as a starter, **next Friday, you are all welcome to virtually meet with me at 1.30pm.** I will share a link via email.

Please let us know if you need any further support with remote learning as we are keen to get all our children online, so they do not fall behind.

We're also here if you just need to check in for a chat.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Rachael Riley

(Headteacher)

A FAITH COMMUNITY, GATHERED TOGETHER TO LEARN, WITH LOVE AND RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER