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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you all had a restful Easter break and welcome to our very first remote summer term!

We've all had to adapt to new ways of working, so I wanted to take the opportunity to say what an amazing job you're doing supporting your child's wellbeing and learning during this time.

It's definitely been a strange and challenging time, so it's ok if you and your child feel wobbly and worried at the moment. We're here for you every step of the way as we figure this all out together. Remember, if you have any concerns about helping your child learn or you need any other support from the school, please let us know by emailing the office on [admin@stvincentshr.org](mailto:admin@stvincentshr.org) or messaging your child's class teacher on 'Class Dojo'.

We miss the children very much, but we must follow the government's guidance to keep everyone in our community safe. So, we're carrying on with home learning through 'Class Dojo', your child's class teacher will be teaching lessons daily and we encourage you to keep uploading the work they do, this will allow teachers to help with corrections and reward your child with points. We also love seeing the children's fantastic learning at home – please keep sending their activities, videos, artwork in on 'Class Dojo' by uploading and as we would like to showcase it and use some of the work for assessment over the summer term.

But just because we're not all in the same building, doesn't mean we can't have some fun together! Your children will have lots of activities they can get stuck into over the summer term – so keep a close eye on 'Class Dojo' and the school website for curriculum overviews of the topics your child will be studying.

While lockdown is still in place we are still offering provision for vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers. Details of this have already been shared with the relevant families.

I am sure you and your family have been spending time in prayer together and taking part in the weekly 'clap for carers'. I have been asked to share the following message with you as many more vulnerable homeless people in our community are in much need of help during these times. If you can please help with a local campaign to help rough sleepers in temporary accommodation in Luton. They have managed to temporarily house people experiencing homelessness, that are actually bedded down in Luton in hotel accommodation. However it is not ideal, some of the bedrooms do not even have a window. The outreach team have

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communicated to us that the rough sleepers are just desperately lonely being cooped up in the hotel rooms, so they have come up with a concept just to let them know that people care and they're not alone.

Please find attached the link which has been shared on social media, asking some of the pupils, parents or teachers if you could possibly write a letter.

<https://www.facebook.com/511845367/posts/10163171485205368/?d=n>

We can't say yet when we'll be able to open the school fully, but rest assured that we'll continue doing our utmost to keep your child learning and our school community connected. Whilst home learning is still in place it is worth trying to keep to some routines so please do refer back to the timetables and ideas I shared with you in March.

Let's get cracking with our Pentecost term!

Yours Sincerely

Mrs K Armstrong

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