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Dear parents,

Thank you for the continued messages of appreciation that are being received at school. They mean a lot to us. Those of you lucky enough to be outside your homes yesterday evening may well have been blessed by witnessing some beautiful rainbows that formed after the rain. As well as their inherent beauty, their appearance represented a special poignancy, appearing so close to the weekly applause for our wonderful critical workers, and also as a symbol of positivity and hope. Here's my photo dedicated to all of you who are front line workers in appreciation of all you are doing at this challenging time.



Bank Holiday

A reminder that the upcoming bank holiday is on Friday 8 May. School will be closed to all pupils on that day.

Homeschooling

Chamberlains Estate Agents have organised a colouring/ drawing competition for St George's pupils with prizes for the top three entries. A colouring sheet is included in this newsletter, although pupils are free to design their own picture on the theme of **supporting our key workers**. All entries should be on A4 paper (landscape) and posted through the office letterbox at 47 Windmill Hill, EN2 7AE by noon on **Friday 8 May**. A fitting destination for one of your daily exercises! For each entry received, a donation will be made to the Enfield Food Bank.

Rainbows

A huge thank you to Ms Baffa (Alessia's mum) for the wooden rainbows donated for the children of key workers who are currently attending school. They are lovely!

School attendance

It is important to underline that schools, all childcare settings (including early years settings, childminders and providers of childcare for school-age children), colleges and other educational establishments, remain safe places for children. Reducing the number of children making the journey to school, and reducing the number of children in educational settings, will protect the NHS and save lives by reducing the risks of spreading the virus. If a child can be at home, then they should be at home.

Prayer

May is the month of the Rosary. In a short pastoral letter, Pope Francis has encouraged families to rediscover the Rosary at home and has offered new prayers to recite at the end of the Rosary:

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey

as a sign of salvation and hope.

*We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the foot of the cross,
were united with Jesus' suffering,
and persevered in your faith.*

*"Protectress of the Roman people",
you know our needs,
and we know that you will provide,
so that, as at Cana in Galilee,
joy and celebration may return
after this time of trial.*

*Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the will of the Father
and to do what Jesus tells us.*

*For he took upon himself our suffering,
and burdened himself with our sorrows
to bring us, through the cross,
to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.*

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God;

*Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always
from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.*

Yours Sincerely,

*Mr P O'Rourke
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To all key workers...

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