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Newsletter Friday 15th of January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Once again we have returned to balancing working from home with remote learning! Thank you so much for all your children's fantastic work on Google Classroom. More than 98% of our pupils have been engaged in remote learning! All the hard work that has been posted on Google Classrooms has made the adaptations and preparations for this new way of teaching and learning worthwhile.

If you require additional resources for your child we will leave packs of jotters and pencils outside the school in the shelter next to the Nursery each day.

The staff at St Fillan's fully understand how difficult a time this must be for you all and we are here to support you. There have been a few teething problems with Google Classrooms and the iPads but we are working very hard to rectify the issues. Please be patient with us. On some days this week Mrs Gibb had over 50 phonecalls to make and iPad problems to fix! Hopefully this will all settle down soon.

We continue to have very high numbers in school for the provision of key worker's children, meaning all of our teaching staff are assisting with this supervision, while also providing their own classes with home learning. What is important is that we all continue to support each other and have a mutual understanding that everyone's situations are different and we are all trying to do our best in very difficult circumstances.

Please be reassured that while it is essential that your child accesses their remote learning activities each day, we are here in school to support you. Contact us through the usual form system if you require help or support.

Communicating with the School

Please continue to use the forms system to communicate with the school. This system is an efficient way for the Senior Leadership Team to work through any queries in the order the come in, as well as to decide the most appropriate member of staff to deal with the issue. This system is checked on a regular basis throughout the day.

We ask that you please do not use your child's Glow email or Google Classroom to contact the class teacher directly.

Forms system can be accessed via the school website through the following link:

http://www.st-fillans-pri.glasgow.sch.uk/

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St Fillan's Day

Tuesday the 19th of January is St Fillan's Day and Father Peter will very kindly offer Mass for us at 10am. We would love for you to join us with your families if at all possible via the link below. https://youtu.be/yHJtDVuZfzo

We will also have some of our Key Worker children reading prayers which we will share with you on twitter. You may wish to share with us how you are celebrating St Fillan's day at home.

We continue to be heartened by the messages of support and kindness we have received from our parents, carers and wider school community. We continue to keep all of you in our prayers and we ask that you do the same for us during these difficult times.

Kind regards,

Mr Brian Bourke, Headteacher.