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School Community Newsletter

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Covid-19

We would like to wish you and your family the best at this very difficult time. To say we are living in challenging times is an understatement. We hope that you are coping as best you can with social distancing and the limits which have been put on your lives for the greater good.

It seems obvious at this stage that school closures will extend beyond March 29th. We have no official confirmation of this and we will of course let you know as soon as we know.

Given the nature of teaching and learning that takes place at primary level, wherein learning occurs incrementally and significant value lies in the interaction between the teacher and pupils within the classroom environment, it is not feasible for teachers to assign work to pupils to cover the curriculum as a replacement for teaching. Having said that, we have published guidance for parents/ guardians on various subjects for each class level on our Newsletter Page and on our Twitter Page. Go to www.parteenschool.ie and click 'Newsletters' to see class specific guidance. If you are not a member of Twitter you can still see our posts by going to www.parteenschool.ie and clicking @Parteen_School on the bottom left hand side.

I would like to sincerely thank all staff for submitting these activities and to Ms. Barry for running the Twitter account. These activities are in no way compulsory and we do not want to put any pressure on families at a very stressful time. However, you may appreciate the published ideas. Many of the activities are fun and family friendly.

Kind regards,

Ger and Mairéad