



Dear Parents,

26 February 2021

I am sure that for all of us, one of the main topics of conversation this week has been around the cautious reopening of schools in just over a week's time. As we begin to emerge from the current lockdown into a new month and the first signs of spring, we can perhaps allow ourselves to think about the future, the journey ahead and the opportunities that lay within it.

We hope that the planned return to school shared with you yesterday was helpful and would like to reassure you that we have already begun to prepare for full and safe reopening. The letter sent yesterday as well as the current risk assessment, can be found on the school website.

The following link is for Lent activities at home for families. Please feel free to follow the ideas on offer, to help your family with their Lenten journey.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/lent/activities-and-resources/lent-at-home/>

We are also including links for the Stations of the Cross and the instructions for how to create the booklet. These are another lovely family activity to help children to understand Christ's Easter journey.

[Stations-of-the-Cross-Primary.pdf](#)

[Stations-of-the-Cross-Booklet-4531.pdf](#)

[Stations-of-the-Cross-Booklet-Instructions-4531.pdf](#)

It was a joy to see children in Year 2 making dough at home and school, before baking bread as part of their role play of the bakery in Pudding Lane, that started the Great Fire of London. Their dressing up as bakers was wonderful! These kinds of experiences have been a continuous feature across the school, even whilst we learn remotely, epitomising the ambitions that we have had for our children throughout the lockdowns.

Children and staff alike are excited to see one another and reconnect albeit at a distance. 'Connection' plays a significant part in Mark's Gospel this weekend as he describes the Transfiguration. A hugely sacred moment that both stuns and energises Peter and the other disciples on the mountain, when Jesus meets with Moses and Elijah. Sacred moments such as these, although not always as sensational, are evident through our lives today on our own 'mountain tops'. Do we recognise them? Do we share them? How do they shape us? - three questions that we could ponder as we prepare to begin the third week of lent and the changes that lay ahead.

We will no doubt meet the changes that lay ahead together and continue to shine.



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"Love proves itself by deeds so how am I to show my love?" St Thérèse of Lisieux

