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**St. Augustine's Primary School**  
**Newsletter 14 - February 9th 2021**

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we enter the last week before half term, I want to thank you all for your continued support to the school and your children. We know this lockdown has been the hardest of them all so far and that the demands of the remote learning have been a struggle for some of the children. We hope that the numerous devices issued have been a help and we encourage you to continue to work as hard as you can on the tasks set by the teachers. We have had another allocation of laptops from the DFE, so if you are struggling with an old or unsuitable device, please get in touch. The remote learning will continue after half term up to March 8<sup>th</sup>. We await confirmation from the Government for the wider re-opening of the school. We had originally planned a teacher day for after half term but this will no longer take place and will take place later in the year. School will re-open for key worker and vulnerable pupils on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

### Catholic Life

Next week, during half term, the season of Lent begins. Masses will take place as normal in Church on Ash Wednesday but can also be watched online. When we return after half term, we will be observing the season of Lent in our usual ways fasting, praying and giving alms. Lessons and activities for those children still learning at home will be posted on Google classroom or Tapestry.

The dates for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation have now been set for the children in Y3 and Y6. The dates for St Augustine's School are July 10<sup>th</sup> for First Holy Communion and Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June for Confirmation. Both Sacraments will be celebrated as they were this year with only members of the family household allowed to attend. Talks for parents will take place online in the next few months and individual appointments for children to make their First Confession will also be offered.

## Phone Calls

Now the phone lines have been fixed, staff have again started making calls to families. These are calls to just check in with the family and speak to the children where possible.

## Remote Learning

It has been a rapid learning curve for us all adjusting to remote delivery of the curriculum since the start of the new term. We have been delighted by the hard work of pupils and the support of parents, but as it is so new, we would like to review what we are currently providing and explore ways it can be improved. We have therefore created a survey and would invite you to share your thoughts using the following link. <https://forms.gle/rkrDeybfRf8vVzdZ9>  
The survey will remain open up to and including Friday 12 February.

If you do have issues with any aspect of the remote learning, please use the [homelearning@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@st-augustines.coventry.sch.uk) email to contact us. We will try to address them as soon as possible.

## COV-id update

All of the latest risk assessments and policies are available on the school website. Can we remind parents whose children are attending to keep children at home if they are displaying any symptoms of COV-id 19 or if they are not well enough to attend.

In this month of February and particularly Thursday, we remember Our Lady of Lourdes

Grant us, O merciful God, protection in  
our weakness,

that we, who keep the Memorial of the  
Immaculate Mother of God,  
may, with the help of her intercession,  
rise up from our iniquities.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, for ever and ever.

May the Holy Cross of Jesus be our hope.

*Helen Forest*