

St Michael's Mail

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Good afternoon All

I am sure you can imagine that it feels a little odd in school today!

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for approaching the last week with patience. As we enter these uncharted waters, it is unlikely that we will get everything right first time but, as always, we welcome your support.

You should all have received learning packs via email this morning and for those of you who have indicated that you have limited access to the internet, your packs are in the school foyer waiting for collection between 9 and 12 each day.

From next week, we will be aligning our topics so that all year groups have the same general theme for Maths, English, Science and RE. This should make it easier if you have more than one child at home.

The staff are working hard to make sure that the children still have access to a rich and varied education at home and I would like to thank them for continuing to smile in the face of adversity.

For now, we will continue to send a weekly bulletin and we would love you and your children to contribute. I have added information about how to do this below.

Take care and stay safe

Mrs Cahalan

So...while most of you are at home, it would be great to hear how you are getting on.

This morning, we have set up an email address for you to use to share any magnificent moments. By sending this information in you are consenting to it being published on the next week's bulletin so if you do not want it shared, please make it clear on your email.

Most of our children are now learning from home but if they do something extraordinary then we would love to hear about it and see it. We cannot guarantee that all emails sent will make it to the bulletin but we will try our best to add a range.

The email address is:

thingstobeproudof@st-michaels-penkridge.staffs.sch.uk

We can't wait to see what you are getting up to!

A reminder that school should now be seen as a last resort for parents whose jobs are critical in the fight against Covid-19.

If other arrangements can be made for childcare, then children should not be in school.

Please also follow Government advice regarding social distancing.

Let's all play our part!

Worship Corner:

We are continuing to hold a daily act of worship with the pupils in school.

Here are some ideas if you would like to build some worship elements into your daily routine:

1. **Write prayers-** there is so much to give thanks for but also lots that we can ask God for help with
2. **Sing-** ask your child to share their favourite hymn. Think about the words, what do they mean?
3. **Reflect-** Take some time for reflection
4. **Explore a bible story-** perhaps one linked to our value Perseverance