

The Newman Catholic Collegiate



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Dear Parent/ Carer

Doesn't 2 weeks feel like a lifetime? I wanted to contact you all to express my thoughts and best wishes to each and every one of you. I hope you are all keeping well and adjusting to our new way of working.

All the staff in the Collegiate have been working extremely hard to provide work to ensure we can help to support you to put routines in at home. All the schools have been most impressed with all children's attitude to the new ways of working and we would like to thank you all for supporting your children to continue their studies at the most difficult time.

I am sure that you are all looking forward to the Easter break. Schools will not be setting any compulsory work during this time, however, some may give you some things that you can do to keep yourselves occupied if you wish to.

Over the Easter season, it is important that we pray for God's love to be part of our lives. As Pope Francis writes, 'When we stand before the crucified Jesus, we see the depth of His love, which restores our dignity and sustains us'.

Please take time to join live services online over the Easter season, these can be accessed via the following link:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-with-live-streams>

During this time, we remain here for you. If you call your school, there will be a number on the answer phone for you to contact us. Once through, the office staff will take your number and someone from the school will contact you. You can continue to email the individual school office or the email for all schools in the collegiate to use info@newmancc.co.uk. You have my word, we are here for you and if you contact us someone will be in touch.

I am aware that there may be some anxiety for children who were due to sit exams. As you are aware these will not take place. I wish to assure you, as soon as I know what the arrangements for awarding grades will be, the schools will be in touch.

I wish you all a peaceful, holy and restful Easter. Please do continue to keep in touch.

Stay at home, protect the NHS, save lives.

You all remain in my prayers.

Mr Beardmore
Senior Executive Leader
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