

St Joseph's Journal

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SCHOOL REMAINS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

We have just completed our First Week of 'Home Learning' due to the national school closures and we have been sent in some wonderful examples of the extra activities you have been up to aswell. As you are aware, a small group of pupils remain with us at school and we will also share some of the things they have done too. Let's keep swapping ideas and have as much fun as we can during our time away from each other.

'Home Learning' sheets will appear on Class Pages on our school website no later than Monday each week. Our school website and can be found at www.st-josephs-tod.org.uk Throughout our closure you can remain in contact with school through both the telephone number and the school website. Each class also has their own email address to respond to queries about the children's learning and these will be looked at between 10am and 2pm each weekday. These can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

We still have no idea of a date when we will be reopening at this stage but will keep parents updated as soon as this is possible.

EnviroLENT

Despite not being together, as a school family and parish, we continue to respond to the invitation from Bishop John to reconsider our role in caring for creation and the environment.

Over the past four weeks we have taken time to reflect on reducing, reusing, recycling and rewilding. This week we are called to Reclaim:

Focus 5: Reclaim

To reclaim something is to take something back. We are hopeful that if everybody plays a part, we can reclaim our planet securing a happy, healthy future for ourselves, for our future generations and for all of Creation. Together, we share the earth, Our Common Home, and we pray we can learn to not take too much from it and how to live harmoniously alongside one another.

What can you do?

Reclaim your voice.

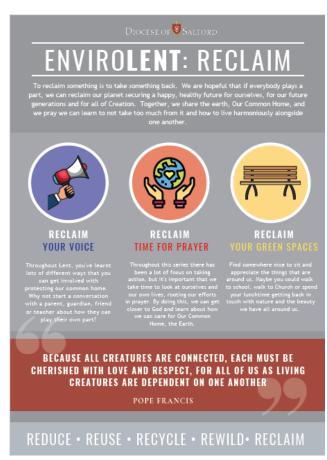
Throughout Lent, we've learnt lots of different ways that we can get involved with protecting our common home. Why not start a conversation with a parent or a brother or sister about how they can play their own part?

Taking time for prayer.

In addition to all our practical actions, let's remember to take a look at our own lives, rooting our effort in prayers.

Reclaim your green spaces

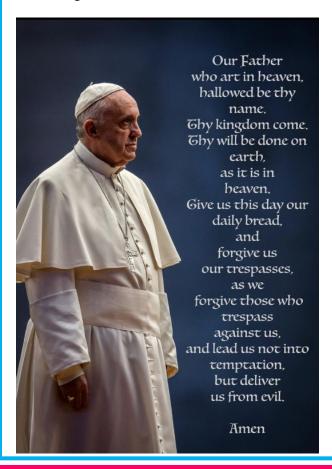
When things get back to normal, find somewhere nice to sit and appreciate all the things that are around us. Let's get back in touch with the beauty of nature by walking but noticing as we go.



Taking Time To Pray

Last week, Pope Francis invited all Christians to direct their voices in unity toward Heaven, reciting the Our Father together.

This week we are asking all families to make a special effort to respond to the call of Pope Francis and pray the Our Father for the sick, and for all the people who are suffering.



Class Email Contacts for Home Learning Help

If you have any queries about your child's home learning during our school closure please use the email address for your child's class

ACORNS@stjosephs.romerocat.com
BEECH@stjosephs.romerocat.com
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ELM@stjosephs.romerocat.com
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OAK@stjosephs.romerocat.com

Teachers will respond between 10am and 2pm Monday to Friday.

Rainbows of Hope

Families have been creating rainbows for their windows. It's thought the rainbow trend started in Italy, but has rapidly caught on in other countries including the US, Canada, Spain and now the UK. This is a way of children connecting with one another as well as spreading a little joy for passers by. Have you got one in your window yet?





HOME LEARNING

What has everyone been up to this week? Check your class page on the website to find out...

www.st-josephs-tod.org.uk





Mr Sutcliffe and Mrs Tonkinson have shown us how to bake a delicious cake this week. Yum yum.

Have you been doing your daily 9am work out with Joe?



https:// www.youtube.com/ thebodycoachty



Mrs Robertson showed us how to paint rainbows on pebbles as well as paper. Oskar did a brilliant job of his.