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St. Mary's Primary School (Lisbuoy)

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Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The staff of St. Mary's, would like to commend you all for your continued hard work, effort and dedication over the past few weeks with your child/ren's home schooling. We appreciate everything you are doing to ensure continuity of learning for all our pupils.

### **Online Learning**

As you will all be aware, we will be continuing with online learning, following the advice from the Education Minister and the Stormont Executives. At present, school closures are in effect, up to and including Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March, although this will be reviewed again before then.

We will be continuing to use our online learning platform, Google Classroom. Parents are asked to ensure their child logs in daily, if possible, through MySchool or using the GC app. If your child is unable to log in or complete their assigned tasks on a particular day, please email your child's class teacher so that they are aware not to expect work to be 'Handed in'. We really appreciate your support with this.

Lesson videos and tasks will continue to be posted by class teachers daily.

P3-7 pupils are still encouraged to access Accelerated Reader from home and continue to quiz. Newsdesk (P5-7) and Junior Newsdesk (P3-4) are also available through MySchool.

As we have said before, children respond well to structure and routine, however, we do understand the pressures of home life and only expect you to do what is manageable within your own circumstances at present. If for any reason your child/ren are unable to access CG on daily basis, please contact the class teacher to see if we can assist in any other way. Never be afraid to ask for help, we are more than happy to answer your questions and support you as best we can.

### **Home Learning Packs**

Home learning packs\* will be available to collect from school on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February. These will cover work for the next 1½ weeks (24<sup>th</sup> Feb - 5<sup>th</sup> March). Work will be assigned daily on Google

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classroom to complement the work in home learning packs. Please ensure work is only completed from the pack on the day it is assigned by the teacher on GC. Teachers will continue to support your child's learning as best they can.

Collection times as follows:

*Surname A-G:* 10.00-10.15am

*Surname H-M:* 10.20 - 10.35am

*Surname Mc:* 10.40 - 10.55am

*Surname N-Z:* 11.00 - 11.15am

Vulnerable children and children of key workers, attending school, will receive their packs on Wednesday.

\*P7 pupils' school hoodies will be available to collect on Wednesday with their reading books.

Please return all library books, reading books and school resources from previous home learning packs, as these are expensive to replace.

### **Supervised Learning**

School will open for supervised learning for vulnerable children and the children of keyworkers from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February again.

*Please ensure you have downloaded 'SchoolsNI' app to receive notifications of updates on our school website.*

Once again, I would like to thank you for your continued support during these difficult times. We are all in this together, and will come through this stronger as a school community. Please remember our children's happiness is the most important thing for us all.

Yours sincerely,

*Martina Martin*  
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