

# Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your patience and understanding today as we have worked through plans for the next half term following the announcement from our Prime Minister at 8p.m. last night re school closures. As we heard the news when you did, we have spent the day making new plans and are now in the position to communicate them with you.

The plan is as follows:

All children will be able to have daily contact with their class teacher, whether this be via the messaging service or their weekly online meeting with their teacher.

Each class will have home learning set by their teacher with a suggested timetable for them to follow. They will be given a Google Classroom password and a link to click to 'Meet' their teacher in small groups for some online, face to face learning. Each group will meet and chat on line with their class teacher once a week. Their teacher will be in class each day with their key workers bubble and will also be preparing and marking any work that children send in via the school website. They will communicate DAILY with your child. How and when you choose to do the work is up to yourselves and your personal situation.

Many primary schools and indeed secondary schools are using a variety of resources to ensure the safety of all children working online. As we are a small school and require staff to work with both the key worker children and home learners we feel it is not possible to do live daily lessons. Primary School children would need to be supervised at all times if they were engaging with online live lessons for 3 hours a day (as stipulated by the Department for Education) and this may be very difficult or even impossible for many parents, depending on your personal situation. We believe our plan outlined above makes it fair and equitable for all children and parents to engage with learning.

If for some reason you are unable to access the online learning, then please contact school and we will make the necessary arrangements supporting you as best we can.

As you will be aware, the situation is constantly changing and we will endeavour to make any changes necessary as we continue forward in these very challenging times. If you have any questions do not hesitate to ring school and/or email [sec.olpsprimary@halton.gov.uk](mailto:sec.olpsprimary@halton.gov.uk)

We are here to support you as best we can and totally understand the many difficulties all families are facing, therefore, please do not worry, all we can all do is our best during these unprecedented times.

Kind regards

**Mrs P McGuffie**

*'We learn to love everyone as Jesus loves us'*

