**To           :               Headteachers**

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**From     :               Jeff Williams**

**Date      :               1st April 2020**

Our greetings and best wishes as we send the weekly email and ideas to share with families and teachers.

I read this week the phrase that **‘Vision needs to be lived, not laminated’** and a reflection - Regardless of what is written on your walls, websites, prospectus or policies, people only truly know your vision and values through experiencing your actions, your words, your diary, your budget. In this unprecedented season in our schools, this has never been more important, and apparent. Very few of us will have been physically reaching for our school mission statements as we’ve been forced into making an endless stream of often very instinctive decisions – yet those decisions will have revealed much about our vision and values not evident in our words alone.

Thank you for all you are doing, especially as we now plan for many schools to remain open over the Easter ‘holiday’ to support key workers and vulnerable children. Schools are even considering remaining open on Good Friday and Easter Monday, such is the exceptional nature of what we are facing.

Equally, we know that LAs are liaising with schools regarding redeployment and volunteering, where schools are facing specific challenges. The DfE updated its guidance last night and includes specific detail on holidays, workforce, staff deployment, supply teachers and contingent workers : [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures/guidance-for-schools-about-temporarily-closing](https://url6.mailanyone.net/v1/?m=1jJZw9-0002W0-3o&i=57e1b682&c=EZmQ3HKukMaKRylDZB13HKsLFTamzocfx4zrXltzqUKP9LWGlz-beCik1mKSK5Y2R5gNB54T1-nxJTHYx0TNYom-j5CRYUeWAcuQ7MgUX5TdLOipEsOm4Vkx-Mfh39oWMPvB9ai2-jDe8oOeBNRb-JU6fizYXLKSHY7cqJjLLHiqYeprhuC2RPi_K7-E8sdD_6VjTR3qtst_eZEnhL9HmPrZbCCYXfqSVZ_o_y30xlc5Rw91bCvBgHFTFhlyLVw5N3ZVF2GlQ7_PLpRFDSju4PWOtbiVJctyQCFBF6r50iQ904_tx32MMWGfEtd_L7ohABsss9OnvlxgfFXCBu5iAg)

We continue to refresh our web pages, and the attached resources and more can be found at :

Winchester: <https://www.winchester.anglican.org/education-coronavirus-resources/>

Portsmouth: <https://www.portsmouth.anglican.org/coronavirus-schools/resources/>

All of our resources can be used at home, and are fun and meaningful activities to complement the curriculum work that so many parents are committing to engage with their children who aren’t at school.

Attached are :

* **Palm Sunday -** A resource for discussing Pal Sunday with children and encouraging them to reflect on its meaning.
* **Picture Challenge Week 2 -** Another excellent resource created by Sue for exploring Easter with children.
* **Invitation to Pray with the World -** Compassion UK is a charity that supports vulnerable children all over the world, and they are calling for us all to pray at this time.
* **Divine Chocolate National Poetry Competition** – with some great prizes!

And we recommend :

* The Institute of Engineering and Technology has made available lots of STEM resources for families. These can be found at Primary: [https://education.theiet.org/home-learning-resources-key-stage-1-and-2/](https://url6.mailanyone.net/v1/?m=1jHSTF-0007dy-3s&i=57e1b682&c=rM8itBEi_wJ2XxAgeMrwqBwfg1E-bE7SRJMKT7X7ACJv4Ij-e06powK-7K6wbPdpae6OM0NI3CbNkqY6tniGucMG7_hnMihzhS0NMNr-eRbcIf1odVrZPIc7nA8LH7ONpCfEpU3hsYVZ4WkA9RO4dazbN4eCaVBjttyt8xJ0PwIJ_Y9kPlt2QveOXkGklS5QRhzpxAmNKtq4Ai-dQ8a--kAyM0QRAU2a-GEJ87ZQLLpKqnTz_MTAfRiAxxbL7rqFH4NxGn3JVVdTurUDdemwnLxnPG3bu5ANSPTE0I8_1xI) Secondary: [https://education.theiet.org/home-learning-resources-key-stage-3-and-4/](https://url6.mailanyone.net/v1/?m=1jHSTF-0007dy-3s&i=57e1b682&c=_Hd3r-DYLHi7nS-f5XG9fx2SMgWGG4Mm-eKS2TWnCvGsDyYrSXDdRta_yjyCHdFl_AoS_ZObHhLebftOeQ9tr5cJPLPQ78iurpAUv4jFz4y9iP6Uhu5bRBEcnrGfzSOcd1c5oqq4EiUhF9lg5dqt-acac_jaganNG4-gXUrURnOtcVUmWt9gJ4kzVkOSVG-RuPbMJ0T4GHcCV9phmgAj-gTGVDuoHSPS0Mr8f6w0688E7484qh4JzulSQLfEzoh9lmyOMlYwnqhhJ_BsBQTim_4pTsr2bCR2GlYI4RqZlSY)
* Resources on Guildford Diocese website:In addition to our resources, you may be interested in having a look at the resources which our colleagues in the Guildford diocese are adding to their website: <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/education/christian-distinctiveness/collective-worship/covid-19-resources>
* Barnabas in Schools Facebook Page :Many of our schools draw on the free resources provided by Barnabas in Schools for collective worship and RE. They are regularly posting new and interesting things on their Facebook page at present:<https://www.facebook.com/Barnabas-in-Schools-714825645540620/?modal=admin_todo_tour>

You remain in our thoughts and prayers

Best wishes

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