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Dear parents / carers,

This term has once again seen many COVID cases in school, especially amongst the staff. This has put huge pressure on the remaining staff to cover all aspects of school life and to ensure that we were able to stay open across the whole school. We are very proud that we were able to do this in order to support our children and our families.

I would like to thank Fr Noel who has been a great support to us during the Spring Term. He has visited the school every Friday and met all the children in their year groups. He also worked alongside us to organise Reconciliation in the Church for our children in Yr 4, Yr 5 and Yr 6. Reconciliation is an important part of Lent – a time for self-reflection and questioning if we are being the best version of ourselves as Jesus taught us to be.

Our school community also came together this week in prayer, led by our wonderful Year 6 children - they led us through the Stations of the Cross in action, prayer and song.

Ukraine – It continues to be deeply troubling watching and hearing the news daily and the dreadful suffering going on in Ukraine. We are aware that many children are hearing and seeing disturbing things and need our reassurance. Some parents are endeavouring to completely protect the children from the news and others are being more open. At school we are answering any questions that come from children and at assemblies we are praying for peace. For those of you with older children who would like to read more, here is a link to a junior newspaper

<https://schools.firstnews.co.uk/ukraine-first-news-explainer/>

I would like to take this opportunity as we reach the start of our Easter holidays to thank you all for your continued support and on behalf of all the school staff and Governors I would like to wish you all a very happy and Holy Easter.

We return to school on
Tuesday 19th April

Kind regards

J Johnstone

Mrs. Johnstone
Headteacher

