Wednesday 10th June

Dear Parents/Carers

I do hope you are all safe and well.

<u>Mrs Karran</u>

While 'lockdown' continues it seems strange to be talking of normal times however the world continues around us.....

Next week Mrs Karran will be retiring after 26 years of wonderful service in our school. It is a very strange time for her to leave without the usual celebration she fully deserves however we hope we can celebrate with her when we are all back in school. Her association with St Hugh's spans nearly 60 years; she came here, her children attended the school and she then gave 26 years as a practitioner in the Nursery. Her hard work and dedication will be sorely missed; she has been thoroughly committed to the St Hugh cause for all these years! I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the very best for her retirement.

School Reopening

Please do not take my frustration as a lack of compassion for our families' situations but over the last few weeks I have become totally exasperated by the changes in guidance. This week we had worked very hard to prepare to welcome back more children in Reception, Years 1 and 6; however communication from Trafford late on Monday night scuppered our plans. They 'very strongly advised' all schools not to open until next week. As a result we will now start to reopen next week to the children who responded on the survey and we hope the date will not change again. However it is completely out of my hands and if there are any changes please be patient with us – we have to follow the guidance.

Also yesterday the government abolished their plan to have every primary child in school by the end of term. This came as a shock and disappointment to us. It may change but in the meantime we are planning for some type of events in school for all the children to be involved with. This will take some thought and coordination. When we have final plans I will share. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Stay safe

God Bless

Mark