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To the wonderful children of St. Mary's,

All of the staff in school are missing you. We do have some children in school at the moment, but it is not the same as having you all here.

We are getting school ready to open up to reception, year one and year six children as that is what the government have told us that we must do. We would love to have you all back in school, but at the moment, we can only have about 10 children in each classroom, so we can't fit you all in.

Your classrooms are looking very different at the moment as we have had to take out most of the furniture and all of the fun things, like the displays, boxes of Lego and the toys in reception and nursery. We have put everything in a safe space and hopefully it will look like more like normal when you return. I bet you can imagine how much stuff that Mr. Slack has had to move- we have kept him very busy! We even had to take 'Hogwarts' out of the hall, and it collapsed when we moved it- we are sure that Mrs Walker will love it if she is asked to make another one. Do you think she will like that?

This year has been very strange, and you will all remember it. When we look around school, we feel sad at the house points that you all worked so hard to collect and displays that you and your teachers worked on. We will start again when we can and hopefully it will all feel back to normal soon. You have all missed out on trips, the summer fair and sport's day- we will rearrange them all for when you return. The sponsored walk on pancake day raised a lot of money for your trips and we have kept it safe. Year six, you were meant to be in London next week; we will write to your parents about your trip money separately next week.

Mrs Britton, our year one teacher, is leaving us at the end of the week. We would like to thank her for all her hard work, and I am sure that we will sometimes still see her smiling face.

School news!

- Miss O'Reilly is growing a really big baby bump- we made her show us on a video call.
- Mr Mackley's hair has not been cut for weeks and weeks, but he thinks it still looks good!
- Mrs Graham has tried to colour her own hair! It may have gone green then purple, but it is back to normal now!
- Two cats now think the school yard is their playground. I am sure they will run away when you all return!

While you are not at school, we would like you to learn one new thing every day. Try it and don't forget to email your teachers to show them what you are doing.

We will see you all soon. Mrs Graham and Mrs Tumelty.













