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Dear Children of St Mary's Catholic Primary School,

I am writing to tell you how much we are all missing you.

You have done so well to stay at home for such a long time and I know that you can do it for a little bit longer if you must. You are really helping everyone you know and love to stay healthy and well and for that I am really proud. You see, I know you well and you are the absolute best children in the World because you are always thinking about others. Jesus asked us to, 'Love One Another' and by staying at home, you are doing that...keeping the virus at bay and stopping it from travelling from one person to another. I think you are even more wonderful than I did before. Some of the Teachers and Teaching Assistants have been staying at home too and it has not always been easy for them so well-done Team St Mary's, my precious family of children and staff.

I really love to see pictures of the things you are making and doing but more than that, I love to see your faces, faces that we all miss so much. School just isn't the same without you, not at all. We miss your jokes and the little conversations we have and all your funny little ways. I for one miss your hugs terribly. We will have to make up for all the missed ones when we can. Now remember that I tell you that get to know everything :-), well I know it can get a bit boring at home sometimes and I know you become a bit irritable and you don't always do what is being asked of you. Try to be the best you can be at home and always say sorry if you need to and start over.

I cannot wait to see you all again. Life is pretty quiet without you here. Until we are all together, be brave and don't be scared. You are young but you are strong and mighty, and you can get through the next weeks.

I will look forward to seeing more pictures of you baking, drawing, dancing, writing and painting. Please send them to me as they really help to cheer us all up at school. You are such special people so spread your loveliness around too by smiling at people you pass by when you are on your walks and say hello to other children. Think about ringing or Facetiming your family or make them a card. I always find that making someone else happy makes me happy too.

Aww, my gorgeous Year Six children. I will see just some of you soon but if you are staying at home I am not going to let you go that easily...we will meet-up again next year to say goodbye to each other properly and celebrate all the years you have spent here in our care. Try not to worry about secondary school either. I have told all the schools how wonderful you are and how you will need a bit of extra help and care to get used to a new school and a new routine. I will do my best to make sure you are taken good care of.

Well done children. Keep going and stay safe.

Lots of love and big virtual hugs from us here. (We think you're the bee's knees)

Mrs Griffiths x