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A chara,

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I hope that you and your families are well and managing with the most recent government restrictions. Thankfully, children are incredibly resilient and I hope they are coping well with the current situation. Please pass on our best wishes and praise them for their hard work over the past 2 ½ weeks.

Today is the last day of Term 2 and all of us can now have a well-deserved break from schoolwork for the next two weeks. During the holidays, some children may wish to continue on with a small bit of work or some of the suggested activities as the routine may bring them some comfort in these times while others, including yourselves, may wish to take a complete break from the schoolwork. Again, you know your child best, so feel free to do it your own way.

If schools are to remain closed after the Easter break teachers will continue to provide work & activities to the children in their classes in order to minimise the impact on their learning as per Department of Education guidelines. The Department of Education have resources for parents and children people to manage and stay well when schools are closed. (www.education.ie)

Some education and sporting organisations, are asking people to hang a flag (national, county or club colours) outside their houses as a show of support for those workers and volunteers on front lines at this critical time. These heroes are parents, cousins, neighbours and friends who are spending long hours, day and night, fighting to ensure that this virus is controlled and lives are protected.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the school staff, to wish you all a Happy Easter and I hope that you and your families stay healthy and well and enjoy your time together.

Le meas,

Alan Plunkett and the teaching staff.

Some recommendations:

- RTÉ 2 is continuing their virtual classroom weekdays at 11am (or anytime on the RTÉ Player).
- Stations of the Cross for Children will be available on www.kandle.ie next week.
- David Walliams is continuing to offer audio reading @ <https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses> (Please keep encouraging regular reading).
- Dublin Zoo Webcam <https://www.dublinzoo.ie/animals/animal-webcams> (Re-starting 20th April)