

## Our Lady's Catholic High School



A National Teaching School

Friday, 1 May 2020

## **Dear Parents and Carers**

We have received very useful feedback from parents, carers and pupils about the amount of home learning work that is being set for them. Teachers have tried to set what they feel would be an hour of work for each of their lessons as per their weekly timetable. This has provided pupils with a very significant amount of work and may be overwhelming at times, especially if there is high demand for the available IT resources at home and parents are not immediately available to help when needed.

To assist matters, we are going to set work with the aim that each lesson should provide between 30 and 40 minutes of work. This will allow space for setting up; down and up loading; checking and sorting. Should any pupils feel that they need more, there are numerous additional learning platforms that they can visit to enrich and add additional challenge.

Do please let you child's Learning Manager or Mr Charnock know if this approach works better for your family next week.

## The Rosary in May

We know that May is a month where particular prayer and devotion is given to Mary, Mother of Jesus, who is of course the patron of our school: Our Lady's Catholic High School. Pope Francis has invited all of us to pray the Rosary each Monday morning in the Month of May. He too will be doing this in Rome as will Catholics across the world.

I have attached to this newsletter a copy of Pope Francis' letter and have included also an information letter which provides guidance on how to pray the Rosary. You may find is helpful to pray one decade of the Rosary rather than the full Rosary. This resource can be found along with others by following the link: <a href="https://acnuk.org/resource/maisy-milk-rosary-for-peace/">https://acnuk.org/resource/maisy-milk-rosary-for-peace/</a>

I hope you and your family have a lovely weekend.

Mr N Ranson Headteacher