Optional RE Homework for the whole school

Handed out: 08.02.24 Due in: 11.03.24

Dear Children, Parents and Guardians,

I would like to inform you about an exciting opportunity for you to engage with your faith in a creative way.

During the month of March, our school will be focusing on Holy Week in our Adult led collective worship sessions. As part of an optional religious homework, we would like to encourage your child(ren) to create an Easter Garden representing Easter Sunday. These gardens will be displayed outside so please consider the materials you use because items like paper or cardboard may get wet and ruined.

Here are some ideas for the items you may wish to use in your prayer garden:

- Plant tray
- Soil
- Moss
- Small stones, pebbles, or gravel
- 1 large stone
- Small flowerpot
- Some small flowering plants, such as mini daffodils

On page 2 of this letter, there are also some images of examples of prayer gardens too. Note, there are no Easter eggs or chicks because these aren't religious symbols of Easter Sunday.

If you would like to create an Easter prayer garden, please ensure that this homework is completed by Monday 11th March 2024.

For children in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), their Easter prayer gardens will be displayed in the EYFS prayer area. All other year groups' Easter prayer gardens will be displayed in the prayer garden in the KS1 playground. We invite the school community to come and view these gardens at the end of the school day from 11.03.24 – 28.03.24

To make this experience even more special, we have invited Fr Daniel to come and view and bless the Easter prayer gardens during Holy Week. We are excited for the opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate the significance of Easter.

Thank you for your support, Miss Scannell

