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Dear Parents/Carers,

This year, 2020, is the 10th anniversary of Verbum Domini – Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation on 'The Word of the Lord' and the 1,600 anniversary of St Jerome's death. These dates have inspired the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales to dedicate 2020 as a year of focus on the Bible and 'The God Who Speaks'.

As you know, scripture is at the heart of everything we do in school, so this focus has been welcomed by all, beginning with the blessing of the Baminelli's during our final Mass of 2019 in school. Now, we would like to invite you to join our celebration of God's Word at home by showcasing how you, as a family, live and share God's word through a creative Easter project.

El Salvador Crosses



These crosses are most commonly known as El Salvador Crosses, but are also called Romero Crosses or Crosses of Hope. The illustrations of life shown on the crosses represent the most meaningful things in people's lives, including the sun, land, village, family, home, animals and places they most strongly feel the presence of God.

The cross is a sign of their faith and hope for the future.

We would like to ask you, parents, carers, children and any other family members to get involved and design your own cross in this style, focussing on your journey of growth and change in faith throughout Lent and the Celebration of the Risen Christ at Easter. It could be just pictures or include words or phrases from scripture.

Think about;

- How do you follow in the footsteps of Christ
- How do you live God's word?
- Can you include parts of your favourite scripture passage?
- What symbols represent God in your life?

Use the template provided, lightly sketching your design in pencil, before filling it with bright, beautiful colours and finally outline each illustration in black.

Please return your completed Crosses to your class teachers in school after the Easter break, so that we can display and share them for all the visitors to our school to see how we as a school community live God's word and follow in the footsteps of Christ each and every day.

All children that return a completed design will have the opportunity to draw and paint their design on a wooden cross provided by school upon our return.

PLEASE ASK IF YOU WOULD LIKE THIS LETTER IN A BIGGER FONT SIZE