

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School



We live and learn in the light of Christ!

Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 5th October 2018

Autumn 1 - Week 05

This week we pray for these special people! - Year 3



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BIRMINGHAM TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2018
New Term Begins	Monday 3rd Sept	Monday 7th January	Monday 29th April
1st Half-Term Ends	Friday 26th October	Friday 15th February	Friday 24th May
2nd Half-Term Begins	Monday 5th Nov	Monday 25th February	Monday 3rd June
Term Ends	Friday 21st Dec	Friday 12th April	Friday 19th July

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(now including standing orders)

Week 05

Reception	N/A
Year 1	£7.00
Year 2	£11.62
Year 3	£17.50
Year 4	£30.75
Year 5	£6.00
Year 6	£3.00
Total	£75.87

School Fund can be paid weekly, monthly or termly. The suggested amount is **£1.00** per week. Thank you to all those parents who pay regularly in cash or by standing order. Thank you all for your support.

School Mobile Phone

Please use for urgent contact out of office hours (3.30 pm - 8.00 am):



07885 235 496

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

A big thank you to all those parents and staff who spoke so openly to BBC West Midlands last week, the report has been very positively received and succeeded in highlighting the financial struggle schools are currently facing.

Well done to Mrs Law, Mrs Smith & Miss Stansbie for preparing such a beautiful Reception Family Welcome Mass last Sunday, it was great to see all the children there and they all read and sang so confidently. What a special Mass.

Yesterday we celebrated our Harvest Mass and welcomed Carol from the Fireside Centre. I was so proud to be able to hand over all of the fantastic donations you sent in. I am so thankful for your generosity, Carol could not believe the amount of food!

Thank you to all who have responded to the Academy Consultation which is still open, it closes next Friday 12th October @ 5.00 pm. If you have any questions or comment, please that you can contact me via the box in the entrance hall or the dedicated e-mail address: academyconsultation@ssptprpl.bham.sch.uk I will respond to all comments and questions in due course. Thank you for your interest. The minutes from the parents meeting will be sent out to all parents on Monday so that you can see what was said and what questions were asked.

Today has been a non-uniform day where we have extended an arm of support to those in need following the devastating floods in Kerala. Thank you for your support, we have raised a fantastic £212.00. We will ensure it makes a difference. Thank you.

Exciting news, it is the SPFA Reception Family Welcome Disco next Friday 12th Oct in the Parish Hall from 6.00 pm. Tickets are still available from SPFA members (See Page 6 of this newsletter for more details), or the SPFA Online www.pta-events.co.uk/spfa I will see you all there.

God Bless...



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

Thank you Mrs Pearce

Brownies



On Wednesday 10th October, SS Peter & Paul will say an emotional farewell to Mrs Pearce who has been at the heart of our school for the last 33 years. There isn't a job this lady hasn't done, a child she hasn't cared for, a parent she hasn't helped or a member of staff she hasn't supported during her time here and she will be terribly missed by all of the school and Parish community. I genuinely don't know what I will do without her as she is constantly reminding me of things that I need to do and jobs that need to be done in order for the school to function as smoothly as it does. Since the day I arrived in September 2006, Mrs Pearce has been there to help me settle into my new roles and embed myself into the life of the school and I will be forever grateful for the help and support she has given me, first as Deputy and now as Head Teacher. She is not retiring, she just feels it is time to look for a new challenge and I wish her every success and happiness in whatever adventure she embarks on next. Goodbye and good luck Mrs Pearce, enjoy your new venture, you will be amazing at that too! Take care. Love from Mr Porter and all the staff xxx



Goodbye & Good Luck!

NEWS

We will keep you informed, please read this information carefully.

- **SPFA Reception Welcome 'Monster Mash' Disco**—On Friday 12th October we are holding our welcome disco for our Reception families in the Parish Hall. See the SPFA page on this newsletter for more details. You can now book your tickets online at www.pta-events.co.uk/spfa
- **School Open Afternoon**—For those parents looking to send their child here for Reception Class in September 2019, we are holding our annual open afternoon event on Tuesday 23rd October @ 1.30 - 3.00 pm. Please spread the word to anyone you know who has a child the right age and those who are interested in applying for a place here. They will need to fill out our own additional application form which will be available on the day.
- **Parents Evening Dates**—We will be holding our Autumn Term Parents Evenings on Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th October @ 3.30 - 6.00 pm. The appointments will be available for booking via the ParentMail system shortly, you will receive notification as soon as it is open.
- **ParentMail**—I sent out some letters this week, specifically to those parents who have not registered with ParentMail yet who we had no e-mail or up to date contact details for. Please ensure you return the form as soon as possible so that we can update our records and enable the connection.
- **Swimming**—Y5 will need their kit for the next 3 weeks on Thursday.
- **Kerala Flood Crisis**—To help the survivors to rebuild their lives, we had a non-uniform today, **Friday 5th October** where we asked for a donation of at least £1.00 which we will send to those who need it. We have fulfilled our Catholic duty by supporting those in God's world who need it most. Thank you for your support. We will ensure it gets to those in need asap.
- **Progress on Infant Playground Plans**—Just a brief update to say that the £10,000 is still sitting waiting to be used as I am still awaiting the outcome of our funding bid. They have come back to me as they require some more detailed information which I will submit asap, I am trying to ensure that I can get the best possible value for money for our children on this project so the funding bid is key. I will keep you updated as the process continues but your patience is appreciated as it is not a quick process! Sorry.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next SEN drop in session on Thursday 11th October between 9.30 to 10.00 am. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Admissions for Reception Class September 2019** — Please be aware the e-admissions online application entry opened up on 3rd September on the Birmingham City Council website. There is **NO** paper application available for 2019, all applications **MUST** be submitted via the website. If parents do not have access to a computer or tablet then you can either visit your local library to use a computer there, or you may pop into school where we will arrange for a computer here to be available.
- **Late Collection of Children at the end of the school day**—We have a few families who, for a variety of reasons, are late collecting their child from school at the end of the day; after 3.20 pm. If your child is not collected by 3.45 pm, they will be taken over to Leading Light Club in the Parish Hall and you will be charged £8.00 per child for the session. My school staff are wasting valuable time looking after children when they should be doing other things. Please phone if you're going to be late.



SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 11th October 2018 @ 9.15 am
Key Stage 1 Children & Families - Led by Year 2



The details of our next school Mass will be in this newsletter each week. All parents, family members & Parish are invited to come and join our Mass celebration so please pop in if you have time to spare. See you soon.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Y3 Trip to Cadbury World
Wednesday 10th October 2018

Mrs Pearce's Last Day
Wednesday 10th October 2018

Y2 - KS1 School Mass
Thursday 11th October @ 9.15 am

Academy Consultation Closes @ 5 pm
Friday 12th October 2018

SPFA Reception Welcome Disco
Friday 12th October @ 6.00 pm

Y6 - KS2 School Mass
Thursday 18th October @ 9.15 am

School Open Afternoon
Tuesday 23rd October @ 1.30 pm

Parents Evening @ 3.30 - 6.00 pm
Wed 24th & Thurs 25th October

Y3 - KS1 School Mass
Thursday 25th October @ 9.15 am

Break Up for Half-Term Holiday
Friday 26th October @ 2.00 pm

School Open for Autumn Term 2
Monday 5th November @ 8.50 am

TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 3rd September 2018
- Tuesday 4th September 2018
- Monday 7th January 2019
- Monday 29th April 2019
- One To Be Confirmed

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- Y5&6 Football Club

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Tuesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- KS2 Monster Craft Club

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Wednesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Thursday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- KS1 Monster Craft Club

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Friday (2.00 - 3.00 pm)

- Y3&4 Football Club

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This week in school... Harvest Festival Mass Donations



A car full of food donations to the Fireside Centre in Birmingham. Carol was absolutely blown away by the large amount you had donated. Thank you all for your generosity.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Copies of the newsletter with a larger font are available in the School Reception for people with visual needs and on the school website.

www.ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk

Punctuality – School starts at 8.50 am & closes at 3.20 pm Monday to Thursday. Every Friday it's open 8.50 am to 2.00 pm. Punctuality is important to ensure a good school day for both children and staff.

Security – Once children have been dropped off at school they must not, under any circumstances, leave the school premises.

Pupil absence – If your child is absent from school please remember to **phone school before 9.30 am.** & send a note in when your child returns.

Uniform – Please ensure that **ALL** school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Dinner money – This is **£2.30 per day (£11.50 per week).** Please make cheques payable to 'City of Birmingham School Meals'. Please send dinner money on a Monday in a **SEPARATE** envelope to all other monies until we go 'Cashless'.

School Dinners – If your child changes their meal pattern from School dinners to packed lunch or swap from pizza day to packed lunch we must insist on half a terms notice. Thank you.

Thought for our Diocesan Virtues Autumn 1 - Compassionate & Loving

Our pupils are taught that it is important to be *compassionate* towards others, near and far, especially those less fortunate; and *loving* to all of our neighbours by their just actions and forgiving words.
We live and learn in the light of Christ.

Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: What do you call a dinosaur who has lost his glasses?

(See Mr Porter with your answer to check if you're right!)

Last weeks answer was:
...A Dino-snore...

Prayer of the Week!!!

St. Francis of Assisi Vocation Prayer

Most High, Glorious God,
enlighten the darkness of our minds.

Give us a right faith,
a firm hope and a perfect charity,
so that we may always
and in all things
act according to Your Holy Will.

Amen.

Parish Events

Parish Weekend Masses

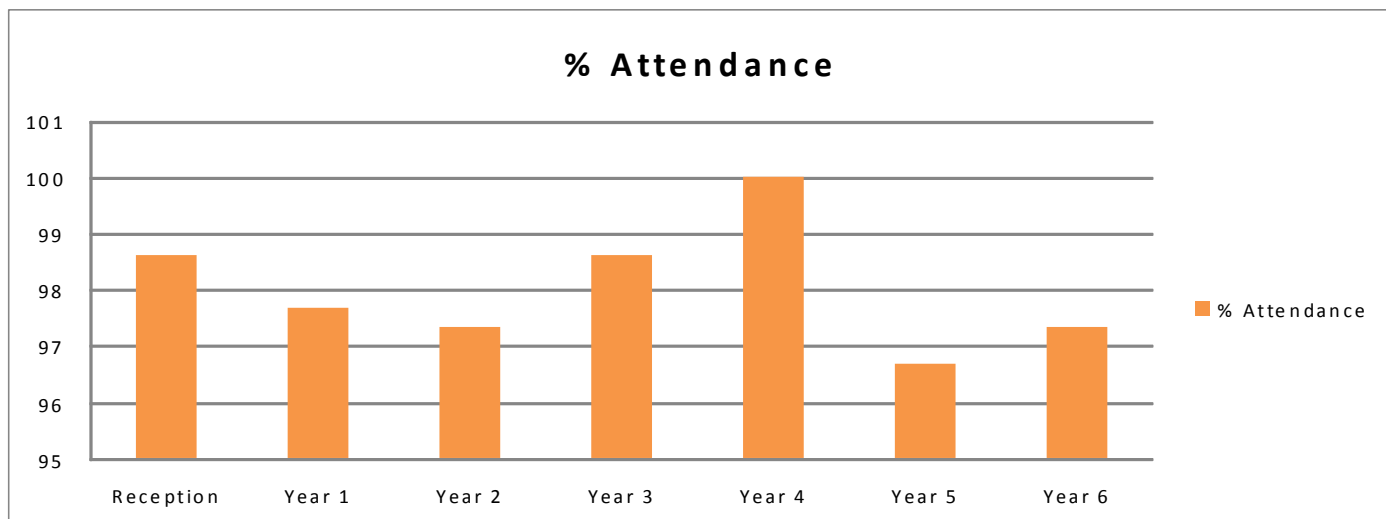
Saturday @ 5.00 pm & Sunday @ 9.30 am
(All school Sunday Masses will be at 9.30 am)

Parish Committee Meeting

Tuesday 9th October @ 7.00 pm
Entrance via Church to the Sacristy L-shape room.
All are welcome to attend.

As a School and Parish community we should be supporting these events to make SS Peter & Paul a lively and thriving Parish, full of joy and community spirit.

Pupil Attendance September 24th September to 28th September 2018 = 98.03%



Congratulations to Year 4 well done for their excellent 100% attendance.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

James Hughes, Maisie Hughes, Noah Eannetta, Brody Harris.



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- **Reception** — Eamonn McLaughlin
- **Year 1** — Lidia Pulisciano
- **Year 2** — Ellis Pointon-Doyle
- **Year 3** — Lucy Santos
- **Year 4** — Whole Class for the wonderful Mass
- **Year 5** — Finley Kibble
- **Year 6** — Gonzalo Gil Garcia (carried forward from last week)



House Points

Saint Peter	67
Saint Paul	78
Our Lady	102
Saint Joseph	69



Well done to Our Lady's our winners.
Congratulations!!!

Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important! Do you know what your child is watching or doing on the internet?

Top Tips for staying safe online

You can report anyone who is being abusive to you online or via social media by contacting the police on www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre

Spanish Word of the Week

(Palabra de la semana)

"la panaderia"

means... the bakery.



Leading Light Club

Contact Details

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leadinglightclub@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk

Thank you for taking time
to read our Newsletter.





**SCHOOL PARENTS &
FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

S.P.F.A Page

**Our SPFA will trial an 'Advertising Page' in each weeks school newsletter. Anyone with a small business or service to promote can pay the SPFA to put their advert on this page.
For more information please contact:**

Kristina Moore on 07950815868 or Kelly Thompson on 07938638541

SPFA Reception Class Welcome Disco &

Date:	Friday 12th October 2018
Reception Class Families	18:00pm
Rest of the School	19:00pm
Where:	SS Peter & Paul Church Hall
Adult	£3.50
Child	£2.50
Family of 4	£10.00
Family of 5	£11.00

For tickets see Kristina or Kelly or alternatively book online at:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/spfa>



**SPFA Bonus Ball Winner
£130.00**

**Friday 28th September 2018
Ball 17 - Mrs Elaine Eannetta
Well done to you!!!**

SPFA SCHOOL UNIFORM

See the attached order form for any new uniform, especially the 'Winter Uniform' for after half-term.

Get your order in asap to avoid disappointment.

Order forms are available from the Entrance Hall or SPFA Page
www.pta-events.co.uk/spfa

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SPFA Bonus Ball Draw Dates

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January Friday 26th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>	February Monday 26th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>	March Thursday 29th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small> <small>May change if no assembly</small>	April Friday 27th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>
May Friday 25th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>	June Friday 29th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>	July Friday 27th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small> <small>Recorded & Reported</small>	August Friday 31st <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small> <small>Recorded & Reported</small>
September Friday 28th <small>DRAW COMPLETE</small>	October Friday 26th	November Friday 30th	December Friday 28th

* Dates may move

** Draws will take place during Celebration Assembly with the exception of July and August these draws will take place with two SPFA members

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School Uniform



Place your order by completing this form and returning it either to Kristina Moore at school or katie@admerchandise.co.uk – Mobile: 07748 685 998 or 07415 360 558.

Forms must be completed or you can also e-mail: katie@admerchandise.co.uk – we are not able to accept orders through text, social media or messenger.

You can also place your order and pay online if you prefer at: www.pta-events.co.uk – if you click on uniform and merchandise this shows a full list of all the uniform available.

We have uniform samples available in all sizes. If you are unsure of which size your child will need, please contact Kristina Moore: 07415 360 558 to arrange a fitting.

Please note that a donation from each order you place will go back to the SPFA to be used towards funds for the school.

Your order should be ready to collect/delivered to school within 2 weeks, during busy summer periods orders may take 2/3 weeks.

Please make sure all orders are accompanied with payment. You can pay using cash, bank transfer direct to the SPFA or with a cheque. Cheques should be made payable to SPFA. If you choose to order through www.pta-events.co.uk you can also pay through the website.

Any returned cheques due to insufficient funds will incur a charge.

PLEASE SEND A SEPARATE ORDER FORM FOR EACH CHILD

Parent Name & Mobile Number

Address

CHILD'S NAME (Please print clearly) Date of Order

(Please tick the relevant box below)

Deliver items to school: ☐




Collect from Katie: ☐

Deliver items to home: ☐






Payment Method: Cash: ☐

SPFA Bank Transfer: ☐

(see next page for bank account details)

GARMENT:	QUANTITY:	SIZE:	Sizes available:	PRICE:	TOTAL:
 Banner Twin Pack Long Sleeve Boys shirt Colour: Tussore	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Collar: 11", 11.5", 12", 12.5", 13", 13.5", 14"	£15.00 per pack	£ <input type="text"/>
 Banner Twin Pack Long Sleeve Girls shirt Colour: Tussore	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Chest: 22", 24", 26", 28", 30", 32", 34"	£15.00 per pack	£ <input type="text"/>
 Woodbank Polo Shirt Colour: Gold	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12	£9.00 Each	£ <input type="text"/>

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GARMENT:	QUANTITY:	SIZE:	Sizes available:	PRICE:	TOTAL:
 Amber A Line Junior Skirt Colour: Brown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 9-10, 11-12, 13	£12.00 per pack	£ <input type="text"/>
 Tenby Double Box Pleat Pinafore Colour: Brown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 9-10, 11-12	£19.00 Each	£ <input type="text"/>
 Avon Zip-Fronted Corded Gingham Dress Colour: Yellow	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 9-10, 11-12	£13.50 Each	£ <input type="text"/>
 Rowlinson Courtelle Acrylic V-Neck Jumper Colour: Brown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Chest: 24", 26", 28", 30" <hr/> Chest: 32", 34", 36", 38"	£16.00 Each <hr/> £19.00 Each	£ <input type="text"/>
 Rowlinson Courtelle Acrylic Cardigan Colour: Brown	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Chest: 24", 26", 28", 30" <hr/> Chest: 32", 34", 36", 38"	£17.00 Each <hr/> £20.00 Each	£ <input type="text"/>
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PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE UNABLE TO PROCESS ORDERS WITHOUT PRIOR PAYMENT

SPFA Bank Details for Bank Transfer:
 Sort Code: 77-85-41 Bank Account: 41677660

Signature:

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School
 Kingsbury Road, Erdington
 Birmingham B24 9ND





SS Peter & Paul Academy Consultation

Parents Consultation Meeting

Thursday 27th September 2018 @ 5.00 pm

Consultation Period:

Monday 17th September – Friday 12th October 2018



Why change?

- Archdiocese of Birmingham directive to secure the future of Catholic education
- Local Authority support is dwindling in terms of quality and quantity
- Local Authority funding stream may be at risk
- Additional funds in addition to our current budgets (we get a percentage of the top slice currently kept by LA to provide services)
- Governors and school management need to protect the schools and build for the future
- Allows the schools to grow and develop and maintain standards
- Gives the schools the freedom it will need in the future

What is a MAC?

- **What is a Multi-Academy Company?** - MAC consists of individual academies run by a Board of Directors. [B of D]
- **Why the Trustees of the Archdiocese of Birmingham believe in MAC model** - Diocese needs to consider the longevity of VA schools - Bishop appoints B of D for Multi-Academy Company model.
- **Current collaboration of North Birmingham Schools:**
 - Long standing links through our Catholic Cluster Group and transition from primary to secondary.
 - Strong relationships, learning from each other, building trust and shared vision in changing landscape.
 - Understand need for change to strengthen our provision and common good to secure Catholic education.
- **Governance**
 - The principles of governance are the same in academies as in maintained schools, but the governors have greater autonomy.
 - MAC is made up of Board of Directors: 14 Directors - Foundation Directors x8, (4 of C of G, + 4 other Foundation Directors – **criteria**), **elected** Staff x2, **elected** Parents x2 plus **elected** Principals x2.
- **Board of Directors**
 - Directors have the rights/freedoms to set the strategic vision and drive improvement across all the academies.
 - The legal and strategic powers of the Board of Directors can be used to break down barriers at a very local level for collaborative practice, easy to achieve.
 - The Directors delegate some operational control to individual academy to **Academy Committees** though a Scheme of Delegation made up of Academy Representatives.
- **Funding**
 - Greater freedom over how they use their budgets to best benefit their students.
- **Accountability**
 - Each Principal via committee of principals will feedback to B of D,
 - Each academy held to account to Academy Committee local level.
 - All Ofsted and RE Section 48 inspections separate.

What would be the main benefits of our school becoming a multi academy?

- **Fulfilling our Catholic Mission and strengthening the Catholic Community**
 - Strengthen the Catholic life of children and families in Erdington & Sutton Coldfield
 - Provide support for Catholic Education outside Erdington, Sutton Coldfield and the wider community
- **Teaching, Learning and professional development**
 - To secure outstanding attainment and progress for our children in all aspects of development – the whole child.
 - Taking and sharing the best practice from each school.
 - An increase in peer to peer support
 - Strengthening and sharing of specialist knowledge and expertise
- **Leadership and Management**
 - Strengthen our autonomy and power to innovate
 - Strategic formal commitment – working together will be structured and binding and not optional
 - Provide support and challenge
 - Multi academy status helps us to organise the support we need which would otherwise have been provided by LA (no longer available).
 - It will ensure high attainment and achievement is sustained and where needed and possible improved.
- **Economies of scale/ deployment of resources**
 - Support for our schools where areas of development identified to secure rapid progress in self improvement and possibly if there are temporary staffing difficulties
 - To plan and organise support beyond our schools for weaker local Catholic schools to secure self improvement and DfE expectations

What would change?

- Freedom from local authority control
- Freedoms around the delivery of the curriculum
- The ability to change the lengths of terms and school days.
- The ability to set own pay and conditions for staff
- Shared overall Governance 'Board of Directors'
- Appointments of HT and DHT by B of D
- Shared long term vision, additional funding available to MAC's with larger pupil numbers.
- Strategic formal commitment – working together will be structured and binding.
- Strategic appointments could be made to work across all schools
 - eg. *Y5 to Y8 teaching strategies. MFL teaching across KS2,3,4*
- Developing new approaches to: accountability; collaborative practice; distributed and collective leadership; team-work; use of budgets; and deployment of resources, human, financial and material; etc.
- Ofsted judgements frozen. Schools have no Ofsted category status until their next visit.
- Strength in resources when offering outreach to support others.
- Huge financial savings through collaborative ordering and shared services.

What would stay the same?

- High academic standards.
- Each school would retain its Catholic Ethos, mission, name and character.
- Each governing body (academy committee) will continue to be responsible for its own school.
- Budget for each school to be the same initially.
- All staff continue to be employed on same terms and conditions on conversion. (TUPE).
- Pensions will be protected and will continue in the future in accordance with other prevailing developments.
- Links with existing networks to be retained by individual schools.
- OfSTED - will still come!



We would like to hear your
views

Any questions ?

Contact:

academyconsultation@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk

Or

Put a note in the box in the entrance hall