

# ★ SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School ★



Part of... St. John Paul II Multi-Academy

*We live and learn in the light of Christ!*

Weekly Newsletter to Parents  
Friday 11th September 2020



**Autumn 1 - Week 02**



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## ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
<b>New Term Begins</b>	Tuesday 1st Sept	Monday 4th January	Monday 19th April
<b>1st Half -Term Ends</b>	Friday 23rd October	Friday 12th February	Friday 28th May
<b>2nd Half -Term Begins</b>	Monday 2nd Nov	Monday 22nd February	Monday 7th June
<b>Term Ends</b>	Friday 18th Dec	Thursday 1st April	Wed 21st July

## ACADEMY FUND DONATIONS

### Academy Fund via ParentMail (School Enrichment Funding)

This is a voluntary contribution to be paid each term which goes towards buying additional equipment and resources for your children. You will receive a request via ParentMail termly...

**"St. John Paul II Multi-Academy invites parents to give annually to your school fund. A donation of £10 per term is suggested but you may contribute more if you wish."**

Please rest assured that any payment you make is for our school and our children only, guaranteed!  
Thank you 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 warm welcome to all our new Reception Class children, parents and families. It has been so good to meet you all this week and to see that your children have come into their new school without any tears, upsets or concerns; it has been lovely to see. I look forward to working with you all and hope we all enjoy a happy and harmonious seven years together at SS Peter & Paul. I also welcome Arber and his family to our school and hope that he settles in well to his new class and makes some great friends quickly. Thank you for choosing to send your child to our school!



Neil Porter –  
Head Teacher

Can I ask all parents to keep a look out for your invitation to join ParentMail which is an essential communication tool that we use for EVERYTHING; it is important that you register and have access to ParentMail as soon as possible. If you have any issues with connecting, please email Mrs Brennan in the school office on [enquiry@ssptprpl.net](mailto:enquiry@ssptprpl.net) and she will get it sorted for you as soon as possible.

**Homework!** In this current situation, we are trying to limit the amount of transfer between home and school so we will be setting all homework online via our online learning platforms: BGFL365, Purple Mash, MyMaths, Rising Stars or Timestable Rockstars/Numbots so it is essential that you have the correct passwords and login information. We are working hard to ensure that you have access to everything you need so you will be given this information as soon as we can.

You will receive a video message via WhatsApp introducing your child's new teacher and a set of Parent Information Notes via ParentMail as we will not be having the Parent Information Meetings next week.

Can I say a massive thank you to everyone who has passed on congratulations and best wishes to myself and Mrs Calvert-Lyons following this weeks announcement about the changes to our leadership roles which will start on Monday 28th Sept. I am really looking forward to a fresh challenge and know Mrs Calvert-Lyons feels the same. I also know that there will be no detrimental impact to SS Peter & Paul in any way as I'm not stepping away, I'm just stepping back slightly to allow others to shine!

**God Bless...**

## **NEWS**

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

- **PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL UNIFORM & CLOTHING IS CLEARLY LABELLED**
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next SEN drop in session on Friday 18th September 2020 @ 9.30 to 10.00 am. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- [senco@ssptrpl.net](mailto:senco@ssptrpl.net), to book a session.
- **Gifts for teachers**—I thank everyone for their generosity and know that the staff really appreciate the cards and gifts. Thank you.
- **Parents Information Meetings in September 2020**—Due to current COVID-19 induced circumstances, I am cancelling the Parents Information Meetings as we are not having parents in school and cannot facilitate the advised social distance guidance to ensure safety for all on site. I apologise to those who may have had to make changes to enable them to attend but I was hoping things would be back to normal at this time, sorry for this. The class teachers have prepared a Parent Information Handout document which will be sent home for you to read via ParentMail and a short video message introducing themselves via WhatsApp today. If you have anything specific you need to discuss with your child's class teacher then please feel free to contact the school office and we can arrange for conversations over the telephone in the very near future.
- **First Holy Communion**—We are currently putting plans in place to get the First Holy Communion Sacramental Mass (es) for the children who missed it last year, our current Year 4 children, organised at the earliest opportunity.
- **School Mass**—Both Fr. Joe and ourselves are keen to start getting weekly school Mass up and running again. Plans are being put in place for this and I will let you all know the outcome once decisions have been made and finalised. Thank you for your patience.
- **SPFA 2nd Hand Uniform Sale**—Well done to Mrs Zakrzewska and the SPFA team for organising the 2nd hand uniform sale last Saturday and thank you to everyone who supported it. I know it was a resounding success with people picking up some great quality bargains and the SPFA raising nearly £200 for the school. Keep up the good work everyone. Thank you.
- **COVID-19 Guidance**—With this weeks newsletter, you will all receive a document giving clear information on how to respond to any concerns you have about COVID-19. The guidance explains what course of action you should take if you have any concerns about your child's health. Please read it carefully. Can I remind everyone of the COVID-19 symptoms: (1) High Temperature (38 or above), (2) new continuous cough, (3) shortness of breath, (4) sore throat and (5) loss of sense of taste or smell. If your child is ill and you would normally keep them at home regardless of the COVID-19 situation then that is what needs to happen. If they are just a little under the weather, with none of the above symptoms then you should continue to send them to school as normal. We want the children to remain in school if they are well enough and it is safe for them to do so but I do understand parents concerns at this time. If you have any concerns please phone the school office and we will advise as best we can.

## **IMPORTANT DIARY DATES**

Autumn Term 01 Begins for Children  
Wednesday 2nd September @ 8.50 am

### **Parents Meetings in Autumn Term**

Cancelled!

## **TRAINING DAYS**

- Tuesday 1st September 2020
- Friday 27th November 2020
- Monday 7th June 2021
- Two more to be confirmed...

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

**Monday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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**Wednesday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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**Thursday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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**Friday** (2.00 - 3.00 pm)

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**COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE**  
A quick reference guide for parents and staff

**Please follow the advice below for your child and family.**

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>- Get a test</li> </ul> <p><b>Inform the school immediately about the test result</b></p>	...the test comes back negative <b>or</b> a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> <b>AND</b> the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day).</li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Ring on each day of illness.</li> </ul>	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- Household member to get a test.</li> <li>- <b>Inform school immediately about test result.</b></li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</b></li> </ul>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>The household member must self-isolate for 14 days.</b></li> <li>- Child can continue to attend school.</li> </ul>	...child can continue to attend school



What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days.</b></li> <li>- SS Peter &amp; Paul Catholic Primary School child(ren) can continue to attend.</li> </ul>	...child can continue to attend school
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is <b>NOT</b> on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*:</b></li> <li>- minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled.</li> <li>- contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school.</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- <a href="#">*Foreign, Commonwealth &amp; Development Office (FCDO)</a> – for up to date travel information</li> </ul>	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that <b>IS</b> on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</b></li> <li>- Check the current <a href="#">Exempt countries and territories list</a> to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list.</li> <li>- Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school.</li> </ul>	...you have informed the office of your return to the UK <i>(the office will ask you a few questions about your travel).</i>
...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school.</li> <li>- The person who has travelled <b>MUST NOT</b> leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs <i>(please contact school if you need support getting your child to school).</i></li> </ul>	...child can continue to attend school
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.</p> <p>...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Child must not come to school.</b></li> <li>- Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school.</li> <li>- Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>- <b>Other siblings may continue to attend school.</b></li> </ul>	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
...I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b><i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i></b></li> </ul>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.



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# Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

## How serious is the coronavirus?

- It can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- The infection is not serious for most people, including children
- There is currently no vaccine
- Most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

## How likely are you to catch the virus?

- You can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- The chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- If you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

## How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

### If you need to cough or sneeze



**Catch it**  
with a tissue



**Bin it**



**Kill it**  
by washing  
your hands with  
soap & water or  
hand sanitiser

### You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



**After breaks  
& sport  
activities**



**Before  
cooking  
& eating**



**SCHOOL  
ETC.**  
**On arrival at  
any childcare  
or educational  
setting**



**After using  
the toilet**



**Before  
leaving  
home**



**Try not to touch your  
eyes, nose, and mouth  
with unwashed hands**



**Do not share items that come  
into contact with your mouth  
such as cups & bottles**



**If unwell do not share  
items such as bedding,  
dishes, pencils & towels**



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: [campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools](https://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools)

## What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit [NHS.UK](https://NHS.UK) to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See [NHS.UK](https://NHS.UK) for advice on coronavirus.

**If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately**



# CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



# BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



# KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

