* 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 27th November 2020

Autumn 2 - Week 12

This week we pray for...















... these children.

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

It has been very quiet this week without Year Two and Year Three and we can't wait for all of the children to come back. I know it is a really difficult time for everyone at the moment with pod closures and isolation due to COVID but can I thank you all for your understanding and co-operation. Closures of year groups have to happen inline with government guidance and to ensure that people are kept safe. We wish all of those people who are currently suffering with COVID a speedy recovery. Can I take this opportunity to remind all parents that if anyone in your household is showing symptoms of COVID then every person who lives in that house must isolate until the person with symptoms is tested. Please do not send children into school if a member of your household is displaying symptoms.

A quick Reminder that all entries for Mrs Oakley's Winter Art Competition need to be handed in by the \$th of December. There will be a prize for first, second and third place. I can't wait to see the children's Art work. The entries so far have been fantastic and the children have thoroughly enjoyed expressing their creative flare !Winners will be announced on Friday the 11th December in celebration Assembly.

This week we enter the month of December and will be hosting a variety of non-uniform days and events to help get us all into the Christmas spirit and make Christmas as exciting and magical as we can for our children. They have worked so hard and adapted so well to the changes that they have encountered since returning to school in September and we as staff want to ensure that they encounter as much Christmas spirit and fun as they can. Our first non-uniform day will take place on the 4th December and children are asked to dress in Christmas colours (Red, green,

white, gold or sparkles) . We are asking for a £1 contribution which will go towards funding Christmas activities and treats for the children.

Finally a quick reminder that school will be closed to children on Monday the 7th December for a Staff training day.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!



Mrs Calvert-Lyons Head of School

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ACADEMY TERM DATES

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

ACADEMY FUND DONATIONS

<u>Academy Fund via ParentMail</u> (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

NEWS

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

- PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU WEAR FACE MASKS / COVERINGS WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN.
- **Upcoming Teacher Training Days**—Please be aware that school will be closed to pupils on Monday 7th December.
- Virtual retreat Day—Due to two year groups been closed we made the
 decision to postpone our Virtual Retreat day this week as we did not
 want the children to miss out. This will now take place on Wednesday
 the 9th December.
- Upcoming Non Uniform Days—We are asking parents to contribute £1 on the 4th and 11th December for Christmas Colours and Christmas Jumpers day. There will be no charge for any non-uniform days in the last week (Monday 14th—Friday 18th December.)

4th December — Christmas Colours
11th December — Christmas Jumpers
14th December — Christmas Socks
15th December — Pyjamas
16th December — Christmas Characters
17th December — Party clothes
18th December — Christmas hats / accessories



- Food Bank— A big thank you to the parents who are continuing to send in food. A reminder that any parents that would like to access this service or who may need some support can contact the school on our confidential email address: family@ssptrpl.net
- SENCO—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next virtual coffee morning on Friday 4th December from 9.30 AM—10.30 AM. Please contact the school office for a zoom appointment. If you have any concerns regarding your child please contact Mrs Calvert—Lyons on the SENCo email which is senco@ssptrpl.net
- **Hair** We have a strict policy regarding haircuts in school. We do not allow lines or fashion haircuts. Long hair should be tied back at all times.
- **Earrings** From January, in line with the rest of the academy, SS Peter and Paul will not allow earrings of any sort to be worn in school.
- Reception Children 2021-2022 Unfortunately we are unable to allow parents into school at the moment so have produced a short video about our school. Please access the video on our school website which can be found at ssptrpl.net
- Remote/Home Learning Information—Please keep an eye on Parent-Mail to see our plans for how the children will continue to learn if we have to close any 'pods' due to COVID-19.
- Outside Achievements—Please remember to email us photos of your achievements outside of school so we can celebrate them in our newsletter. Emails should be sent to enquiry@ssptrpl.net

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Monday 7th December—School Closed for Teacher Training Day

Friday 4th December—Dress in Christmas Colours.

Friday 11th December —Christmas jumper day

Monday 14th December—Christmas Sock day

Tuesday 15th December—Pyjama and Christmas Film day

Wednesday 16th December— Come dressed as a Christmas Character.

Thursday 17th December—Christmas Party



Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important!

Do you know what your child is watching or doing on the internet?

https://www.internetmatters.org

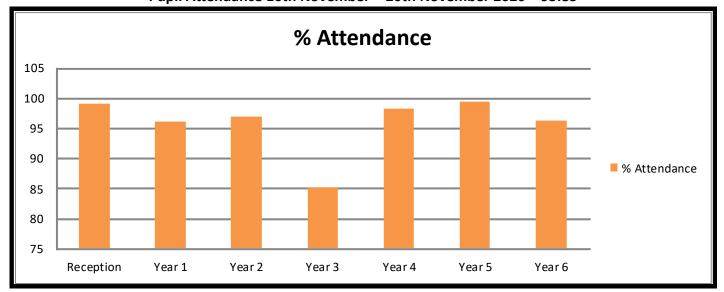
TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 7th December 2020
- Monday 7th June 2021
- One more to be confirmed...

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.20 - 4.20 pm) Tuesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm) Wednesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm) Thursday (3.20 - 4.20 pm) Friday (2.00 - 3.00 pm)

Pupil Attendance 16th November – 20th November 2020 = 95.85



Congratulations to Year 5 for their 99.31% attendance.

Attendance Explanation					
100% - Excellent	99-97% - Good	96-95% - Satisfactory	94% - Below Expectation	< 94% - Unsatisfactory	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Lucas Thompson, Savannah Phillips, Arber Gjoka, James Healy and Mason Holland



House Points

St. Peter

St. Paul 188

Our Lady 142 St. Joseph 222

Congratulatio**h℥©ur Lady**!!! Our Weekly Winners.

Reward Charts



Well done to these children for completing their Reward Charts this week:

Aimee Salari, Nina Kardas, Amelia Wadowska, Aleksander Kedziora, Pola Hara, Lillia McLoughlin-Kennedy And

Faith Lawrence

This week



Year 6 tried a variety of bread products in their DT lesson.



Great home learning from Year 2 this week. Well done!



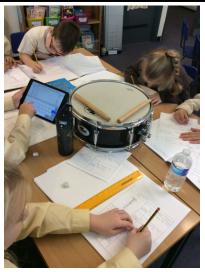
Reception have been using their interactive panel and computers this week.



Y5 had fun makina parachutes to test air resistance in Science this week.



Y1 have been looking at animal groups in Science.



Year 4 have been exploring Pitch in science.



Year 3 have been doing some great home learning. What a wonderful Volcano!

Polish Word of the Week (Polskie słowo tygodnia)

'Recykling'

means...

Recycle.

Spanish Word of the Week (Palabra de la semana)



'Crear'

means...

Create.

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Our Virtues this term are:

INTENTIONAL...in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience.

PROPHETIC... in the example they set to others.

Bible quote of the week...

"The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Lock at how great we are!



Cerian earned Brownie badges for dancing, baking, speaking out and celebrating at home.





Cerian also earned a Blue Peter Badge during lockdown for an acrostic poem.

Amazing Cerian!

Att Competition

If you enjoy creating in your spare time or just love art then this is the challenge for you!!

This half term I am running our first Art competition and it is open to the whole school. Your challenge is to create a piece of Winter Inspired Art for our SS Peter and Paul's Art Gallery. Your creation can be made from whatever you like. You can paint a picture, draw it with crayon or felt tip or even use chalk. Your winter creation could be a snowy picture, it could be an animal that lives somewhere cold and you could make a collage or even a 3d model. If your creation is on paper, please make sure that it is at least A4 in size.

Please get your entries in by Friday 4th December and the winners of the Winter Art Competition will be announced on Friday 11th December.

Get crafting children; I can't wait to see your Winter Creations!!

There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place!

Mrs Oakley (Year 6 Teacher and Art & Design Coordinator)





COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE

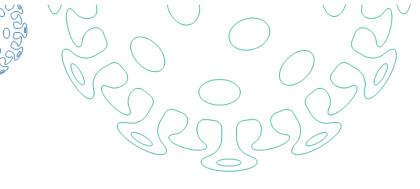
A quick reference guide for parents and staff

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.	 Do not come to school Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household Get a test Inform the school immediately about the test result 	the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
my child tests positive for Covid-19.	 Do not come to school. Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days). Self-isolate the whole household. 	10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. (These symptoms can last for several weeks.) AND the child feels well.
my child tests negative.	 Contact school to inform us. Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day). 	the test comes back negative.
my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	 Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Ring on each day of illness. 	after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	 Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household. Household member to get a test. Inform school immediately about test result. 	the test comes back negative.
someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	 Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). Self-isolate the whole household. 	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.	 Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). 	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.	 The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. Child can continue to attend school. 	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.	 Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School child(ren) can continue to attend. 	child can continue to attend school
my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT on the exempt list of countries.	 If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled. contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. Self-isolate the whole household. *Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information 	the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS on the exempt list of countries.	 If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed: Check the current Exempt countries and territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list. Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school. 	you have informed the office of your return to the UK (the office will ask you a few questions about your travel).
I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).	 As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school. The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs (please contact school if you need support getting your child to school). 	child can continue to attend school
we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	 Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. 	school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school againyou receive medical advice that your child may return to school.
my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	 Child must not come to school. Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	 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. 	the child has completed 14 days of isolation.





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



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

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

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**. Parents can visit **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** for advice on coronavirus.



CATCH IT

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



BINIT

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



KILLIT

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



