



Message from the Headteacher

Farewell

We will be saying goodbye this Friday 30th April to Mrs Kobyra, who has been the School Business Manager at St Paul's CE Primary School since 2012. She will be greatly missed by all. During her time at school she has done so much for all involved in our school. She will be starting her well-deserved retirement and I and all at school would like to say, a big thank you, and wish her all the very best for the future, she will be greatly missed.

Places for the reception class in September 2021

If your child has been offered a place for the reception class in September 2021 you should have received an offer letter through the post. Please complete and return the slip on the form to accept the place as soon as possible. If for any reason you did not apply but require a place for September 2021, you may find these two links useful in getting in a late application [citizens portal](#) [Starting Out Booklet](#)

Voting Day and Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that school is closed on Monday 3rd May for the Bank holiday and also on Thursday 6th May for the elections and staff Inset day. The children will not be attending school on these two days.

Mobile Phones in School

Can I remind all parents that children are not allowed mobile phones in school as per the school uniform code [School Uniform Expectations](#) Can you please ensure that your children are not bringing these devices to school.

PTA Break the Rules Day and Easter Eggs

I would like to extend a thank you to you all the PTA for the break the rules day fundraiser that we had on the last day before the holidays. Your support as always is greatly appreciated. The children clearly had a great and fun day also. I also hope your children enjoyed the Easter Egg they received care of the PTA.

School Meals

Just a reminder that if your child is having school dinners to order them in advance through their schools grid account. (There is a link on the bottom of the school website). Meals can be ordered in advance for the whole half term. We have also been able to reintroduce classes 2, 3 & 4 into eating in the school hall, each class on separate tables with additional cleaning in place. The children are clearly enjoying this.

Covid Symptoms

If anyone in your household (and support or childcare bubble) is displaying any of the main Covid-19 symptoms, then all members of the household (and anyone in your support or childcare bubble) needs to stay at home and isolate.

Your child/ren must not attend school in these circumstances.

The key covid-19 symptoms to be aware of are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

The individual with symptoms needs to book a PCR test. Please inform us of the results when you have them.

There are details in the covid19 section of the school website with the information that we require.

PCR Tests are the type of tests that are completed at sites such as Darnton Rd, near the hospital. The other type of test, Lateral Flow Tests, that are being used by many adults and secondary school pupils are for regular testing, when there are no symptoms shown. These type of tests are not advised for primary aged children. If symptoms are showing, then a PCR test needs to be booked and the whole household isolate whilst you await the results. Lateral Flow Tests should not be used to check if there are symptoms being shown.

If we have to inform you of a positive case in the school community and advise that your child would need to self-isolate, then we would do this through the school spider email system.

Updating Contact Details

Just a reminder that if you need to update contact details/personal information for your child you can do this through the form in the virtual office section of the school website.

[Google Forms Contact Details/Personal Information](#)

Thank you for your continued support in these difficult and challenging times,

St Paul's School

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'Life in all its fullness'
(John 10:10)