



## Message from the Headteacher

### Welcome Back

The children have made a super start back to school after the Easter holidays, it is a real joy to see them all in school again. We look forward to a busy and exciting half term ahead.

### Introduction of Cashless Payment System

We are introducing a cashless payment system in school. This system will work through the school spider app.

The app going forward will be used for paying for items such as new school trips. You will also give consent for new trips beyond the local area and other information relating to trips, through the app. This will be through the surveys section of school spider. The first trip we will be introducing this system for, is for a trip for classes 5,6 & 7. Details to follow for this trip through the app. We will not be accepting cash into school by way of payment for this class 5, 6 & 7 trip and any new trips that follow on from it.

Hopefully you will all be familiar with the school spider app now, through receiving messages and booking events such as parents evening. There is further guidance on the reverse of the newsletter for how to download and log into the app if you need it.

We hope this step will make things easier to organize for yourselves and school.

### SATS Week Year 6

The children in Year 6 will be completing their SATS Tests, week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May in school. The children have been working incredibly hard through the past few years, a time that has been very challenging for all. We are very proud of them all and know they will do themselves proud in each of the tests.

### Key Dates Reminders

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May school is closed for Bank Holiday Monday.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May School is Closed for INSET Day and for use as a polling station.

### Downloading the School Spider App: Quick Guide

1. Search for the school spider app and download it to your phone/tablet, by searching with the words, school spider.
2. From the list of schools, scroll down and find, St Paul's CE Primary School, Stalybridge (click on our school).

### Next Step: Parent Log in



- 1) Open the app
- 2) Click on create account
- 3) Enter the email address registered with school, this will then send you a link to create a password
  
- 4) If the app says we can't find a user with that email address, it may be worth you trying a different email address you may often use.
- 5) If neither parent has a recognised email linked, then you will need to email school requesting your email to be registered. This has to be processed at school and it then can take up to a further 24hrs to become active.

### Holidays

Just a reminder that the holiday lists for this school year and next school year can be found in the term dates section of the school website. We know that some people will be thinking now, about planning holidays. Please note that if holidays are taken in term time this would be an unauthorized absence and this can lead to penalty notices being issued by the local authority.

### Parking

For the safety of our children, if coming by car, please make use of the church car park across the road and do not drive down Richmond St or park on the yellow zigzag lines.

### Sports Health and Fitness Week

Many of you will be familiar with our Sports Health and Fitness Week. This week will not be until after the half term holiday. It will be week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June. There will be lots of exciting activities this week for the children to engage in. During this week the children will not be in their uniform. The children can wear sports clothes suitable for physical activity. Trainers are to be worn all this week

### School Uniform

This is just a reminder that earrings are not allowed in school. Thank you for your continued support with this. Children are also to wear black shoes in school and not trainers as part of our school uniform code.

### Dates

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
April Freddy Fit in school

Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Bank Holiday

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
School Closed for INSET Day

Week Beginning  
May 9<sup>th</sup> Year 6  
SATS week

Last day of half term  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

First day of new half term  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Week beginning  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June  
Sports Health and Fitness Week

W/B 13<sup>th</sup> June  
Phonics Screening  
Check Yr. 1

15<sup>th</sup> June Freddy  
Fit in school

Monday June 20<sup>th</sup>  
Class Photos

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