Friday 18th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly I would like to say a massive thank you to you all for all your support and cooperation during our first two weeks in school with the ‘new normal’; your children have been wonderful!

I just wanted to give you a few updates.

Social Distancing:

When you are dropping your child(ren) off at their designated gate/time, please can I ask that you adhere to the social distancing rules as laid out by the Government. If you are standing across the road whilst waiting for your child(ren) please cross the road when your child is at the front of the line.

Class Dojo:

Our new reward/communication system is working really well; if you haven’t already signed up please do so. Staff will be putting ‘brain buster’ homework on Class Dojo after school every Friday.

Communication:

Unfortunately, there has been an issue with our printing company, not every pupil at the moment has a home/school book (these are due to be delivered very soon) this is another avenue for home and school to communicate with each other.

School Website: [www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk](http://www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk)

The website is updated (sometimes daily) please don’t forget to log on to receive updates as new information is uploaded.

Emergency Contact details:

Please inform school, via telephone or email, if you have a new telephone number, email address or you need to add or remove adults who can collect your child. Legally we need a minimum of 2 emergency contact details for every pupil.

Payments:

We are not accepting cash payments; please ensure that you have a Parent Pay account to pay for weekly school meals, termly toast and termly milk. To get us all used to this system for paying for toast and milk, Mrs Frost will initially ‘open’ parent pay each Wednesday and ‘close’ it again on a Friday at 9.00 am if you have forgotten to pay termly. The facility to pay in advance for school meals is ‘open’ all week. In the meantime if you are having difficulties please contact Mrs Frost.

School Meals:

At the moment we are unable to provide a hot meal, pupils are being provided with a choice of sandwich, a piece of fruit and either a yoghurt or a biscuit/cake and a bottle of water.

COVID-19 Symptoms:

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

* **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

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms

Website Survey:

Please take a couple of minutes over the weekend to complete our Computer/Internet/Printer Access Survey.

Please, Please, Please help us to keep our schools open and safe by remembering to abide by the rules outside of school in our community:

* don’t meet up with more than 6 people inside or outside
* keep 2m apart at all times, adults and children
* wear face masks in shops, public places and on public transport
* regular hand washing or sanitising

Yours sincerely,

Miss Barker

Headteacher