



ST. PAUL'S PEEL C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Stocksfield Drive, Little Hulton, Salford, M38 9RB
Tel: 0161 790 2327

Headteacher: Miss Barker

Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe how quickly the last eight days have flown by; our pupils have settled back well into school life and learning.

Here are a few updates:

Staffing News:

We welcome some new members of staff to our school family:

Mrs Buffey who is working in the Nursery, Miss Munro who is working in Reception Y, Miss Singleton who is working in Class 1/2 and Miss Reed in Class 2. I know that you will make them feel welcome.

Emergency Contact Forms:

If you have a new mobile phone number/email address please go to the school office to let us know.

If you want to add or remove emergency contacts please again visit the school office. We legally have to have a minimum of two emergency contacts for each pupil.

'Meet the Teaching Team Session:

On Tuesday 26th September, from 3.30 pm you are invited to pop into each of your child's (ren's) classroom(s) to meet their teaching team and to have a look at the work they have already completed this academic year.

Individual/Family and Class Photographs:

We have booked the professional photographer for Monday 9th October to take individual photographs and class photographs. Please contact Mrs Frost if you would like your child(ren) to be photographed separately from their sibling, we are not able to cater for siblings younger than our Nursery.

Free School Meals:

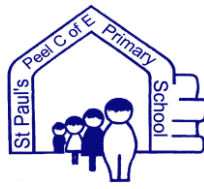
If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals and have not checked recently go to:

<https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/>

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils receive universal free school meals (different to free school meals) so it is important that parents/carers for those pupils go to the above website to check eligibility for free school meals.

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Milk:

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they automatically receive a bottle of milk each day. We seem to have an awful lot of milk being left at the end of each day, so if you know that your child does not like milk please speak to Mrs Frost and their milk can be cancelled.

School Grid (Food Ordering):

If you are having trouble accessing school grid to pre-order your child(ren)'s school meal please get in touch with Mrs Frost. Apart from Nursey and Reception it is the parent/carer's responsibility to pre-order school lunches, if they are not pre-ordered Citywide default your child's meal to a sandwich.

Parent Pay:

Any items that need paying for should be paid via Parent Pay.

Absences:

If your child(ren) are not attending school, please telephone or send a message via Class Dojo before 9.00 am.

As you are aware we want to make sure that as many children are in school as possible this term to take part in learning activities, we know that being at school every day helps children make friends and socialise as well as improving physical and mental health and well-being.

Sometimes you may be unsure as to whether your child is well enough to be in school. With Autumn and Winter just around the corner, many children get colds, mild coughs, and sniffles. If this happens it is usually ok to send your child into school. However, if your child gets a high temperature of more than 38 degrees celsius then they should not attend. [A useful guide for parents has been published by the NHS called 'is my child too ill for school?'](#)

You may feel that following the pandemic your child has become a bit more worried about things. Most of the time children and young people can experience heightened emotions as part of the normal process of growing up and in these cases, school is the best place to be to help them improve how they feel. Often the more time they have off school the more anxious they can become. It may be of use to you to read the guidance on mental health issues affecting pupil's attendance. You may also find it interesting to look at the Salford City Council Miss Out, Miss School webpage for further support for children who experience mental health issues, and we are also available in school for you if you want to contact us about this, or about any other issue related to your child's health and well-being and learning.

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School Website:

Our school website is updated on a regular basis, please take a look!

<https://www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk/>

Water Bottles:

In line with our Healthy Schools Initiative pupils are only allowed to bring water to drink during lesson times and not cordial/juice.

School Shoes:

Some pupils are arriving to school in shoes that are not plain black; please ensure that your child is dressed in accordance with our school uniform policy. The policy can be found here:

<https://www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk/page/school-uniform/48722>

Rags2Riches 4 Schools Clothing Fundraising:

Mrs Hackey-Beaulieu has booked for Rags2Riches to come into school on Wednesday 11th October to raise money for new equipment in school. Details to follow.

School Games Gold Award:

We have been awarded the Gold Award for School Games, thank you to Mrs Aspden for leading our PE in school!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Barker
Headteacher

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