

ST. PAUL'S PEEL C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Headteacher: Miss Barker

Friday 29th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the half way point of the first part of this Autumn Term, school as always is a very busy place.

Here are a few updates:

Amended Holidays 2023 - 2024:

Due to some training for staff regarding a new phonic scheme that we are adopting, with the agreement of the Governing Board, there is a change to the holiday schedule for this academic year. The changes are:

<u>School will be closed to all pupils on Monday 4th December 2023.</u> To ensure that your child attends the 190 days required by law, school will open a day earlier after the Whitsuntide break on: Tuesday 4^{th} June 2024 and not Wednesday 5^{th} June 2024.

The amended dates are on the school website https://www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk/serve_file/10321046 and on the school website calendar https://www.stpaulspeellh.co.uk/events

Neighbour Complaints:

Sadly, I have received telephone calls from neighbours that live near to school, complaining about the behaviour of some of our parents/carers. The complaints were regarding abusive language directed at our neighbours, as well as neighbours being told to mount the pavement whilst pupils are about and also driveways being blocked by parent/carer vehicles. Our neighbours play a vital role in looking after school during the evenings and weekends, please show them respect. We do have regular visits by parking attendants who can issue fines for dangerous parking and also the local PCSO who takes unsociable behaviour very seriously.

'Meet the Teaching Team' Session:

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended the 'Meet the Teaching Team' Session. I have received some very positive comments from parents/carers.

<u>Individual/Family and Class Photographs:</u>

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.

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Parent Governor:

I would like to thank Miss O'Neill for her work and dedication as a Parent Governor, during the last academic year. There are two vacancies for the position of Parent Governor, you will shortly receive nomination packs where you can either nominate yourself or nominate another parent/carer.

Free School Meal Vouchers - October Holidays:

The Household Support Fund is again continuing so the LA will be providing funding to support with food and cost of living increase for children eligible for Free School Meals (benefit related) for the October Holidays. This will be £15.00 per child for the October Holiday. You will again receive them as E- Vouchers direct to your email, prior to the October Holidays. Please let the school office know if you have a new email address.

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 eliqibility for free school meals.

<u>Absences:</u>

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

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.

Rags2Riches 4 Schools Clothing Fundraising:

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have already donated bags for Rags2Riches.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Barker Headteacher

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