



SSPP School News

25th September 2020



One family



SS Peter and Paul's Catholic Primary School

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*We show our love for God, in the way we treat each other.
Together we follow Jesus, by learning, and sharing our gifts.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcome all our Reception and Nursery children who have now joined the SSPP family; well done for being so independent and grown up!

We have experienced very different weather this week, may I remind you that all the children need to have a waterproof coat in school, preferably with a hood; the coat should be plain navy blue. The children will continue to line-up in the playground at the end of the day, even in bad weather, as there is not a safe alternative at the moment. Please ensure your child always brings their coat to school.

As mentioned previously, the majority of school communication will now take place online, through newsletters, school website text messages, and the class blog. The school communication book should be used for brief messages to the teacher regarding your child and their learning; please appreciate the teacher has 30 books to read, therefore replies may be brief.

Parent consultations will take place this term, on 4th November. As we are unable to have face to face meetings on the premises, we will be arranging the meetings via zoom. The school usually closes for a half day for the consultations to take place, however due to the staggered lunchtimes and the organisation of the meetings, the school will be closed on this day for children. I do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, but I am sure you will see the benefits for having a focused conversation with your child's teacher.

Thursday is the school census day, a very important day for us at SSPP. We try to encourage as many children as possible to have a school meal on this day to increase our school funding. The children will enjoy a special Teddy Bear's picnic of nuggets and chips and a yummy cake to finish.

At SSPP we always support the Macmillan Cancer Support charity, with a coffee morning. As we are unable to do so this year, we will raffle a large fresh cream eggless cake, provided by the Cake Box. Tickets will go on sale next week at the cost of £1.00. We will choose the lucky winner on Friday 2nd October, all the money raised will go to such a worthy charity.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

God Bless.

S Johnson

Headteacher



Headteacher
Mrs Johnson

Deputy Headteacher
Mrs Hull

Assistant Headteacher
Mr Roca-Mas

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Y6 transition
secondary school
meeting TBC**

1st October

National Poetry Day

9th October

World mental Health Day

21st October

Flu immunisations

26th-30th October HALF TERM

4th November School Closed

Parent consultations

UNICEF

**Article of the
month: Article 28**

Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free. Secondary education must be available to every child.

Gospel Reflection Matthew 21:28-32

In Sunday's Gospel we hear the parable of the two sons and how a father asks each of his sons to work in his vineyard. The man in the story is God. And we are all God's children. Jesus is trying to tell us that we should listen to what God asks of us and then go and do what is asked.

It is not enough just to say that we will follow God in our lives. We actually have to go and do what is asked; actions speak louder than words. We have to live our lives as God wants us to.



Prayer of the week

God of love, open our ears to listen to your word. Lead us to help one another and to live our lives as you ask us to. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Star Pupil Awards	
N	
RS	Aarvee
RK	Katie
1K	Kanav
1M	Kaci
2B	Thivin
2P	Navleen
3H	Angeline
3I	Mayank
4S	Dika
4W	Yuvraj
5S	Gabriel
5B	Jahmani
6R	Azaria
6B	Alfie

Attendance

Class	% (Target 95.5%)
Class attendance percentages since the 4 th September 2020	
Gold = Highest Green = Above 96% Red = Below 96%	
RS	92.5%
RM	86.2%
1K	97%
1M	85.9%
2B	93.9%
2P	93.9%
3H	96.4%
3I	93%
4S	87.5%
4W	88.3%
5B	87.3%
5S	92.1%
6B	91.7%
6R	97.1%

Please let the school office know if your contact details have changed or if additional people are collecting your child.

Curriculum News

The teachers have prepared a 'meet the teacher' presentation, which is available on the school website, under parents/supporting your child. This replaces the usual meetings we have at the beginning of the school year. Please take some time to view this presentation to find out how best to support your child. There is also a curriculum letter in curriculum/year group, which explains the topics covered in this term.

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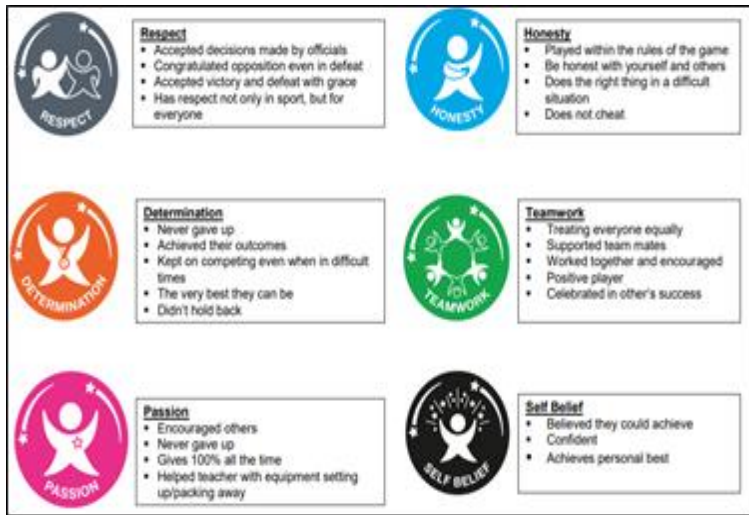
PE News

At SSPP we have been given the exciting opportunity of participating in the Virgin Money Mini London Marathon, where every child from Year 1 to Year 6 will attempt to run 2.6 miles during a two week period. The children will be given opportunities during their PE lessons to complete the distance and, if they are successful, they will receive their very own Finishers Medal completely FREE! We hope there will be many of our children being presented with their medals later in the term.

PE School Games Values

Certificates issued to:

Meenuya in 2P, Sophie in 3I, Akshu and Nikola in 4S



Cave paintings by Year 3



Secondary Transition Meeting

An information meeting for Y6 parents will take place via zoom, on Thursday 8th October at 4pm. Please send your email address to your child's class email account and a zoom link will be sent out via email

1K Running at SSPP

The KS2 1K morning run will start again next week but with a slight difference ... Y3 and Y4 will run on Wednesday mornings while Y5 and Y6 will run on Thursday mornings. Children who wish to participate will be given a coloured band by their class teacher as they leave school the day before their run. They will need to wear this coloured band over their clothing/coat so that it is clearly visible as they enter the front gate - they will then be allowed to go through at 8.35am with the Infant children. ONLY children wearing a coloured band will be allowed to enter early. This band will be collected on the playground and they will begin their 1K run. As numbers will be limited please discuss these new arrangements with your child so that they know only to collect a coloured band if you have agreed to bring them to school for an 8.35am start on their specified day.

- Y3 and Y4 will run every Wednesday from 30th September
- Y5 and Y6 will run every Thursday from 1st October

Children will be allowed to run in their school shoes so will not need to bring a change of trainers with them.

The Stone Age comes to Year 3

Year 3 are learning about the Stone Age period in Britain. They have learned that early humans used cave paintings as a means to communicate, just like people use the alphabet now! This has given them an insight into life for Stone Age people, around the continent too. They have enjoyed reproducing some of the messages that were found by speleologists (people that study caves) around the world. Can you guess their messages?



Covid-19 Guidance for parents & carers



**If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste**

**This could be a sign of
coronavirus**

Book a test

**If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste**

**These are
not normally symptoms of
coronavirus**

**Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP**

Important Letter from Public Health England



Test and Trace

23 September 2020

Dear parents and guardians,

This is an important letter to share some information on how we can work together to make sure we can continue to give children and young people the best education in the safest way possible.

One important part of ensuring the safety and wellbeing of pupils, parents and our communities is testing for coronavirus. We all have a duty to make sure that the right people have access to get tested at the right time. Every time a test is used inappropriately, a person with Covid-19 symptoms may miss out on getting tested.

Therefore, I ask that you all follow these principles:

- You should only book a test if your child has any of these three coronavirus symptoms:
 1. **a high temperature:** any new high temperature where your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure the temperature)
 2. **a new continuous cough:** coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
 3. **a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste:** a noticeable loss of smell or taste or things smell and taste different to normal
- Your child **does not need a test** if they have a runny nose, are sneezing or feeling unwell but do not have a temperature, cough or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste because these are not normally symptoms of coronavirus.
- If you are unsure about whether to get a test, please check the official list of symptoms on the NHS website, which is reviewed regularly:
www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/
- Only the person with symptoms should get a test. You do not need to get a test for anyone else in the household unless they also have any of the three symptoms listed above. All members of the household need to self-isolate whilst waiting for the test result.

- If the person with symptoms' test comes back positive, other members of their household should continue self-isolating for 14 days and **only get a test if they develop coronavirus symptoms.**
- If a pupil in a class or bubble tests positive for coronavirus, anyone who is advised to self-isolate **does not require a test unless they subsequently develop symptoms.**

No one else in the same class or bubble as the symptomatic person needs to take any action unless advised by the school. Schools have detailed guidance and access to a Department for Education and Public Health England helpline for advice and support.

Contacts of a person who has tested positive must follow the guidance carefully and in full, which means they must stay at home for 14 days. This is because it can take several days following contact with an infected person before an individual develops symptoms or the virus can be detected. Students should only book a test if they get symptoms.

The NHS has produced some guidance to help parents understand when their child can and cannot attend school which you may find useful: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

It is vital for children's learning and future opportunities that they are able to return to school and college. It is therefore vitally important that all we work together and do our bit to make this possible.

Yours sincerely,



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