## St. Paul's Church of England (A) Primary School

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# St Paul's Newsletter

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Spring Term

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Dear Parents,

A Happy New Year to all our children and families. I hope you all enjoyed some special times over the Christmas holidays. I know we are all looking forward to seeing the children in school and hearing about their celebrations.

The Spring term is a great time in school to look ahead and enjoy the opportunities that lie before us. We will be thinking about how to make the most of each day that 2022 brings to ensure we all enjoy success in learning and achieve happiness and good wellbeing. Curriculum newsletters will be shared with parents this week, providing a 'snapshot' of what will be happening in your child's class this term.

Here's to a great 2022!

Best wishes,

Mrs J Ferretti,

Headteacher.



## Young Voices

We were very much looking forward to Young Voices at the end of January, an opportunity for our children to sing and perform at the



Resorts World Arena with children from other schools across the region. Unfortunately, due to increasing concern and the rise in cases. Young Voices have taken the difficult decision to postpone the event until late spring / summer 2022.

We will be sending out further information including the new date as soon as we receive it. We have been told that all ticket orders will be transferable and will remain valid for the new date.

### School uniform.

We would like to remind parents of the importance of the children wearing the correct uniform – formal and PE uniform - every day. Uniform instils a sense of pride and belonging and helps to promote the high standards we want for ourselves and the children.

Please ensure your child's uniform and PE kit are in line with the school's policy -

## Our school uniform consists of:-

(Summer alternative)

Grey Trousers / pinafore dress / skirt

Grey shorts / skirt / Red/white gingham dress

White shirt / blouse

White polo shirt (with school logo optional)

Maroon/silver striped tie

Maroon V-necked jumper or cardigan (with school logo)

Grey / Maroon / White socks or tights

Sensible black shoes (no heels please or trainers (unless on PE days)

## Our PE uniform is as follows;

Trainers

Maroon shorts

St Paul's white PE t-shirt

St Paul's tracksuit or plain maroon/black/navy/dark grey tracksuit (no logos please).

Other sports clothes / items / colours should not be worn.

PE kit forms part of the school's uniform—please ensure your child is wearing the correct kit.

We ask that earrings are removed on PE days. Please ensure that all items are clearly named.

#### Music Lessons.



Thank you to those parents who were able to make payment towards their child's music lessons last term or who contacted school to discuss this. We appreciate that the cost has increased and this has been difficult

for some families. It is certainly not our intention for children to have to give up an instrument they have enjoyed learning. However, as a school we currently use the school budget to subsidise Music tuition by a significant amount each year and this is sadly not sustainable. If we wish to continue to offer the range of instruments to children in future years, we rely on parental contributions to make this possible.

Please do contact us to discuss this further should you wish to.

## Alpha and Omega Club @ St Paul's

We were delighted to open our before and after school care in the weeks prior to Christmas. Although numbers are currently small, the children who came seemed to really enjoy the activities. The provision and procedures will be continually reviewed as we develop this new service. We hope that in time, numbers will increase to ensure that this vital service becomes sustainable for our families in the longer term.



For parents wishing to claim Tax-free Childcare, we should soon receive our 11-digit provider code which you will require when you register. As soon as this comes through we will make you all aware. Following a request, we are also in the process of registering with EdenRed who provide a Childcare Voucher scheme to some employees.

A booking form will be sent each Tuesday to book your child(ren) in for the following week. Please do book your child via this form rather than through the office. A reminder that payment must be made in advance. Coming soon...online payments for those parents wishing to use this instead of paying by cash or cheque!

Please ensure you have completed and returned a registration form prior to your child attending club. A copy can be accessed through the online booking form or from the school office.

#### Behaviour

We will continue to promote and celebrate positive behaviour this term. We are looking forward to watching the children continue to work hard and try their best. They responded brilliantly to the positive praise and range of rewards last term.

#### Our St Paul's Promise.



P - We are prepared, we are polite, we are proud.

R - We are respectful, we are responsible, we are resilient

0 - We make the most of every opportunity

M – We make a difference.

I - We are in control

S - We are safe

E - We enjoy and excel.

#### Adverse Weather

If we experience any severe snowfall in the coming term, we will endeavour to operate normally wherever possible. Any closures will be in exceptional circumstances and be in the interests of health and safety. A school closure could be directed by the Local Authority which would mean that all maintained schools in the city must close. Alternatively, a local school closure may be necessary due to conditions specifically around our school.

Should a decision to close be made across all schools, information will be shared on the "Wolverhampton Today" Facebook page, the City of Wolverhampton Council's Twitter feed and on the City of Wolverhampton Council's Website.

If there is no definite announcement about Wolverhampton schools by 7:30am, it can be assumed that there has not been a general closure.

As a school, we will send a text message to all parents as soon as a decision to close is taken (either by the LA or by school.) and where possible, we will give as much notice as possible. I am sure however, you can appreciate that forecasts can be uncertain and there are times when the weather can take us somewhat by surprise!

#### Diary Dates

January Diary Dates - Happy New Year!

4th January 2022— Children return to school.







February

Friday 18th — INSET day – school closed to pupils.



# Rainbow Christian Values;

Harmony, Patience, Honesty, Forgiveness, Thankfulness, Justice, Humility

Our Mission Statement;

Building each other up—with God as our firm foundation.

(The Bible: I Thessalonians 5:11)