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RE: MARCH NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are really looking forward to welcoming the children back to school next week. As the national lockdown eases all primary schools are once again preparing to open classes to children from 8th March 2021.

A few details of our approach are contained within this newsletter. If you ever have questions about our safety measures or any query related to school life please come and talk to me at the start of the day on the gate. If you want to contact us via email please contact us using the school office account. [office@stpaulscrompton.org.uk](mailto:office@stpaulscrompton.org.uk)

I have enjoyed meeting the key worker families and children in provision over the last six weeks. Thanks for all of your warm welcomes and best wishes. It is helpful to know that I am your current Headteacher until the governors recruit a new Headteacher for the school. I am Headteacher of three primary schools and so work part time at the school although I can be contacted daily by staff.

I am currently in school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays if you ever need to meet with me in person. I am currently due to serve as your Headteacher at St Paul's until August 2021.

Please find below updates on a range of school topics for your information to help prepare for us to open again next Monday 8th March.

Yours sincerely,

G. Elswood  
Executive Headteacher

## **Reading**

We love to read! More importantly we love to teach your children to read and foster a love of stories. From next week we will be asking all children to expect to change their books on Mondays.

New reading records have been prepared for them along with some new books in school. I have asked Miss Sims to share a monthly reading newsletter to share with you some special events that are taking place over the months ahead.

## **Remote Learning**

Even though we are opening again on the 8th March we still have remote learning and lessons available if one of the classes has to close down (if a child is diagnosed with COVID). If a bubble closes then the class are asked to isolate for ten days at home.

## **Our School Day**

All children are encouraged to arrive at school between 8.45 and 8.55am. The normal school gates will now be used and parents are asked to keep a safe distance from each other as they drop off and collect children. If possible please do wear a mask when on the school premises.

We are going to increase the outdoor morning play time to ensure that all children have time to socialise and benefit from the fresh air and time with their friends.

## **School Uniform**

Since January all of the children attending school have been wearing school uniform. So please do send your children with their usual uniform and PE kits each week.

I understand that some children may have grown over the last three months and how hard it can be to buy new uniform when the shops are closed. We are asking for normal school shoes to be worn although they are welcome to bring in trainers each day to wear outside or for PE.

## **Before and After School Clubs**

Evergreen will be starting before and after school clubs. Please contact them directly 07778468467 to book places. Their operational hours are 7.30am – 8.45am and 3.30-6.00pm.

## **Clubs & 1:1 Music Tuition**

Sports clubs from our providers and also from the teaching staff are due to start again in the summer term. We are also hoping to restart 1:1 music tuition in April. We will send more details in the last week of March.

## **What happens if my child has symptoms of COVID?**

Please contact the NHS testing centres to book an appointment and keep school updated.

If your child shows any symptoms during the school day we will move them into a safe area at the front of school and contact you straight away.

Please be reassured that many of our staff have now had their COVID vaccinations and that all staff are offered the twice a week Lateral Flow tests to check if they have COVID. Hopefully we will all have the vaccines over the coming months.

### **Our school team**

Headteacher : Mr G. Elswood

Assistant Headteacher Key stage 1 (acting) : Mr D. Hunter

Assistant Headteacher Key Stage 2 (acting) : Mrs S. O'Reilly

Higher Level teaching Assistant: Mrs Blears (covers classes and leads interventions)

Teaching assistant: Mrs Hills (interventions for children with speech and language needs)

<b>Class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistants</b>
Nursery	Mrs Pedziwiatr	Mrs Baxter
Reception	Mr Hunter	Mrs Holden
Year 1	Mrs Fairhurst Mrs Marshall	Mrs White
Year 2	Miss Sims	Mrs Booth Mrs Forrest
Year 3	Mr McCarthy	Mrs Parker Mrs Thompson
Year 4	Mrs Lally Mrs Nowland	
Year 5	Mrs McLoughlin	Mrs Taylor Miss Billington
Year 6	Mrs O'Reilly	Mr O'Reilly

### **Term Dates**

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	School reopens to all children
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School closes for Easter break
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	School opens for Summer term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	School closed for one day – Bank Holiday
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	School closes for one week – summer half term
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	School closes for summer

### **Dates for the diary ...**

Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day – Comic Relief
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Meetings : 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Meetings : 3.30pm – 5.30pm

### **Parent Drop-ins**

Parent Drop-in are being offered this week. If you have any questions relating to your child and their return to school please do drop in using the usual zoom details listed below.

### **Nursery: Thursday 2-2.30pm**

<https://zoom.us/j/7755527092?pwd=d01OQUpPOCtXeUxCeGpUSGtseWd3dz09>

Meeting ID: 775 552 7092

Passcode: p5MwNv

### **Reception: Thursday 2-2.30pm**

<https://zoom.us/j/4167324525?pwd=RzZ3VTNoTUowbTNVbjNVU0Nsd1h3UT09>

Meeting ID: 416 732 4525

Passcode: 9hE5Wv

### **Year 1: Thursday 9.35-10.05am**

<https://zoom.us/j/95111220362?pwd=blhCeWFLcnNoQmJxS0ZVNHzBU1JsUT09>

Meeting ID 951 1122 0362

Passcode KWR5Th

### **Year 2: Thursday 10-10.30am**

<https://zoom.us/j/4090347252?pwd=QVhuM2VaM2MzbXhmVWtRUkF3ZjhZZz09>

Meeting ID: 409 034 7252

Passcode: yba7Xd

### **Year 3: Thursday 10-10.30am**

<https://zoom.us/j/6568128083?pwd=dU5hRWI1NFhsdFhYY3gwMm12VHBqUT09>

Meeting ID: 656 812 8083

Passcode: hD6SVr

### **Year 4: Friday 10-10.30**

<https://zoom.us/j/6615416775?pwd=ZHFkSkFtYzVFMUFxU0ITOTUvZ1hYdz09>

Meeting ID: 661 541 6775

Passcode: year4

### **Year 5: Friday 11-11.30am**

<https://zoom.us/j/4934734734?pwd=QURCRG51MnFaQVBXMnVqSXF3T2liZz09>

Meeting ID: 493 473 4734

Passcode: year5

### **Year 6: Friday 11.30-12**

<https://zoom.us/j/4305526600?pwd=Q2IwVi9zaktVWmVGVWENqY3M3NXI5QT09>

Meeting ID: 430 552 6600

Passcode: year6