

# St Paul's CE Primary School – Newsletter May 2021

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#### Update from Ms Sorohan...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hope this finds you well and you are looking forward to the half-term holidays. Depressingly Covid transmission rates are on the rise not only in Bolton/Bury but here in Manchester. We have been asked to share some key messages to everyone who lives or works in Manchester to stay cautious. Even though the rules are changing nationally it is still important to:

- Limit the number of different people and households you mix with meet outdoors wherever possible.
- Keep washing hands, wiping surfaces, wearing masks or face coverings when needed.
- Keep rooms ventilated and keep social distancing.
- Get your vaccine as soon as it is offered to you.
- Get a PCR Covid test if you develop symptoms this is the swab that gets sent to a lab for the results. It is the only way to monitor and pick up any new strains quickly and take the right action.
- Lateral flow or 'rapid antigen' tests are free and available to anyone who doesn't have symptoms. It is recommended you do these twice a week to catch any asymptomatic cases.

Thank you once again for your cooperation in these matters.

# **PSHE - Our Curriculum**



Parent Consultation Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) Curriculum at St Paul's.

Our consultation will outline what the new statutory RSE and Health Education Guidance 2020 means for our school's curriculum offer and will:

- Inform our parents of your rights and responsibilities about the personal social and health education (PSHE) your child receives
- Enable us to respond to parent questions and concerns regarding PSHE and RSE.

There will be several ways in which parents can respond but firstly parents need to know what our policy says and what our curriculum is in each year group. This link will take you to the relevant pages on our website; <a href="https://www.stpaulswithington.co.uk/page/phse-consultation/103863">https://www.stpaulswithington.co.uk/page/phse-consultation/103863</a>

After reading the policy and outline curriculum the consultation will be as follows:

- 1) Completion of the parent survey where there is an opportunity to ask questions. You can reach the parent survey by following this link: https://forms.gle/AHx8eo5QehX1CGox9
- 2) A separate email address to send enquiries/questions to: <u>rse@st-pauls-pri.manchester.sch.uk</u> and we will be able to answer questions by return email.

It is important that questions and queries are addressed either through the parent survey or by email by 5pm on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for your support with our consultation.

Jan Sorohan and Penny Crinson (PHSE Lead).

## **Dates for Your Diary**

- School closes for half term on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May and reopens on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June Class Photographs
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June is no longer a teacher training day; children are expected to attend school as
- School closes for the Summer holidays on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July and reopens on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September

#### Message from the School Office

- We have some pupil vacancies throughout school. If you know somebody who is looking for a school place, please pass on our school details.
- If you have changed your contact number/email or moved home recently, please make sure we have your new information.
- If you would like to change your child's meal arrangement, please make sure you have informed the school office in advance. This can be done via email.

Our email account is checked regularly, please send any queries to:- admin@st-pauls-pri.manchester.sch.uk

#### **Year 5/6**

Children in Year 5 learnt about a female footballer called Lilly Parr, the session was delivered via Zoom by The Football Museum. The children thoroughly enjoyed this.

Children in year 5/6 have been enjoying their sketching lessons and have produced some outstanding pieces of art work.







#### **Afterschool Clubs**

This term we have welcomed back a limited number of free afterschool clubs. It has been great seeing the children enjoying themselves once again!







# Key Stage 1

As part of our Explanation Unit in English, we have been learning and writing about the life cycle of a butterfly. We watched caterpillars change into chrysalides before emerging into beautiful butterflies. At the end of the term we released them into the wild.





In art lessons, we have been studying hot and cold landscapes and used a variety of pastel and watercolour techniques to recreate images.





#### Year 3/4

The Year 3/4 enjoyed looking after the stick insects, we learned lots of facts about them and we named the biggest one Patricia!



## **Rights Respecting**



June's Article of the Month is Article 22 linking with World Refugee Day on June 20th.

Article 22 You have the right to special protection and help if you are a refugee. A refugee is someone who has had to leave their country because it is not safe for them to live there.

#### **Early Years**

EYFS have been learning all about different minibeasts that live in the great outdoors. We have even looked after some in our classrooms. EY2 have been looking after caterpillars, they are currently in the chrysalis stage of their life cycle so we will continue to look after them until they are ready to fly away. Keep a lookout when you are out and about because you may be lucky enough to see a St Paul's butterfly!

