



St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary School

Clerkenwell

Diocese of Westminster

Headteacher: Miss Tracey Peters



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **COVID-19**

We have had several more positive cases of Covid-19. Many parents have expressed concern regarding the measures we are taking in school to mitigate risk. We are continuing with all our Covid safety practices. Children are still washing/ sanitising hands regularly, children are only with their pod, assemblies and gatherings have been cancelled, regular touch areas are being cleaned throughout the school day, staff are being vigilant with children who are presenting symptoms and staff are testing themselves twice a week.

As a school we can only do so much to prevent the spread of the virus as many children may be asymptomatic and therefore will not display any symptoms. If a child tests positive in your child's class, you are able to have your child tested with a PCR as a close contact. The only way to establish if your child has Covid is by testing them. If your child has symptoms, we need a PCR result before they can return to school. We are now approaching numbers that could be considered an outbreak which could potentially close a pod. Therefore, we must work together to manage this effectively.

### **Curriculum Meetings for Parents**

These meetings will take place at 4pm, 4:30pm and 5:00pm. We have staggered the times to allow parents with siblings in more than class to attend all their meetings. Links will be circulated on Classlist on Monday morning.

Nursery 4:00 Monday 18th

Reception 4:30 Monday 18th

Year 1 5:00 Monday 18th

Year 2 4:00 Wednesday 20th

Year 3 4:30 Wednesday 20th

Year 4 5:00 Wednesday 20th

Year 5 4:00 Thursday 21st

Year 6 4:30 Thursday 21st

After the Year 6 Meeting, there will be information regarding school journey and payments.

### **Open Day**

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, there will be an open day for perspective parents in Nursery and Reception.

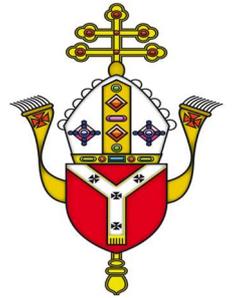


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### **Poppies on Sale**

The British Legion have delivered our Poppies for this year's campaign. Children can bring in donations for this from Monday onwards.

### **Year 5 Swimming**

Year 5 have successfully had their first week of swimming. They will continue with their lessons next week.



### **PTA**

The PTA AGM will be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 10am. This will be a virtual meeting using the link: <https://meet.google.com/mkx-uxir-rbi?hs=122&authuser=0>

The PTA will also be holding a uniform sale after school on Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to pick up extra uniform, but please remember to change the name on the labels.

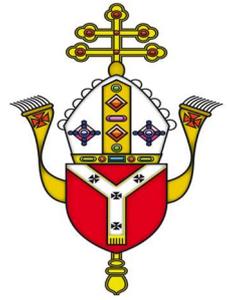


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### **Collection for Afghani Refugees**

We are collecting clothes, toys and books for the Afghani children who are bring settled in Islington. Please bring donations to the school office.

### **Instrument Tuition**

Please ensure fees have been paid for private instrumental tuition. Children who have not settled Autumn 1 accounts will not be able to continue in Autumn 2.

### **Uniform**

Children must either wear a school coat or have a dark blue or black coat for school. This week, many children have worn multi-coloured coats in a variety of colours. As we approach the winter months, please ensure your child has the appropriate colour.

### **Flu Vaccinations**

Consent forms for Flu Vaccination (both Nasal and Injection) will be sent out next week. If you would like your child to receive the vaccination this year, please complete the appropriate consent form. The injection is for those who do not want their child to have the nasal spray as it contains porcine products.

Please complete and return your consent forms as soon as possible.

### **Collections for Harvest**

After half term, we will be collection food for our Harvest Celebration. The food we collect will then be given to a local foodbank. Please start collecting what you can at home.

### **Netflix Programme**

It has come to our attention that many children in the school have knowledge of, or watched Squid Games. The children have been recreating this (or their version of this) in the playground. It must be stressed that this is not a programme that is suitable for children in anyway. Please do not be misled by the name.

*“Doing small things with a strong desire to please God, makes them great.”*

Pope Francis

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Peters and Miss McGuinness