



St Peter's Church of England Aided School

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Dear Students, Parents and Carers

Thank you for your continued encouragements and feedback in supporting the school community. The take up of our new approach to **Thanks and Praise** has already had a positive impact. Please do get involved by visiting the website link below:

www.thankandpraise.com/thankingwall/st-peters-church-of-england-school

Given the significant reduction in Covid cases in our region we are confident we can move to students working in specialist rooms for all subjects. This is an exciting development and will improve the quality of teaching and learning for students. We will need to make some changes to how we operate around the site. To keep our community as safe as possible students and staff must continue to:

- Twice weekly lateral flow test (Sunday and Wednesday)
- Hand sanitise/wash hands on entry and exit to the school and at the start and end of each lesson, break and lunch
- Follow rules about not mixing 'bubbles'

After May Half Term

As mentioned in last weeks letter we are making plans to enable all students being able to work in specialist classrooms after half-term. For Year 7 students this will introduce them to areas of the school they have never been in!

Staff are very much looking forward to working with students in their own specialist rooms and all the benefits that will bring for students. To enable all students to access specialist classrooms students will be moving around the site from Tuesday 8th June. Students will be informed of how to do this, reducing the mixing of bubbles. Students will benefit greatly from better access to more specialist resources once they are in subject specific classrooms.

In order to make the changes there is a significant amount of work to do. As a result DCC, the Diocese and Governors are supportive of an INSET day on Monday 7th June. This means the start of the second half of the summer term on site will begin on Tuesday 8th June.

All classes will have remote learning set for them to complete on Monday 7th June.

A short survey will be sent to families of students of key critical workers and vulnerable students regarding the opportunity to attend on-site on Monday 7th June to complete the remote learning that will be set for all students in all year groups. If there is no other alternative arrangements this is an option for key critical workers and vulnerable students only. The deadline for completion of this survey is Tuesday 25th May at 11.59pm.

'Life to the full for everyone.'



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Keeping our Community Safe

With this change to movement around site hand sanitising frequently will be increasingly important. Please do ensure your child(ren) come to school with their personal bottle.

It is also very important for students to be doing the twice weekly (Sunday and Wednesday) lateral flow tests. Kits are regularly distributed to students. If you require a new kit please inform us.

Important Reminders

We would like to remind you of some key expectations around uniform.

- PE kit should only be worn on days when students have a PE lesson.
- **Hair** should be kept **neat and tidy** and of one reasonable length, style and must be of **one natural colour**. (Shaved heads, stencilled, or very short hair are not acceptable.)
- **Nail varnish should not be worn** in school and **make up should be subtle**.
- No **jewellery should be worn** apart from a watch and **not more than one plain gold or silver stud** in each earlobe, no other piercings are permitted.
- Coats/hoodies must not be worn indoors

Please support us by ensuring your child(ren) comes to school dressed appropriately.

Further details about our behaviour policy can be found on our website.

Big Ask

Please do encourage your children to share their thoughts with the following. The Children's Commissioner's survey of childhood, [The Big Ask](#), is the largest ever survey of children in England. Already more than 400,000 children and young people have had their say about what matters to them for their future. Every single student's voice is important.

The deadline for completing the survey is Friday 28 May.

Yours faithfully

Phil Randall
Headteacher