



St Peter's Church of England Aided School

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Dear Students, Parents and Carers

A brief update following the latest Government announcement

The latest Government announcement issued on the 27th January advised that it will not be possible to resume face-to-face learning on-site immediately after the February half-term for the whole school and instead hopes that it will be safe to commence the re-opening of schools for more students from Monday 8th March. This is in response to the national public health data and pressure on NHS capacity. We will keep you informed as soon as we can regarding on-site learning.

In the meantime we will continue developing our approaches to online learning for students.

Reminder - ICT

Following previous communications here is a reminder to please let us know if you do not have enough devices at home or if you need to borrow a Chromebook as we may be able to loan you a device. Also, if you do not have fixed broadband at home, and you are experiencing disruption to learning and cannot afford additional data for your devices, we may be able to request extra data for you from your mobile provider. If you would like us to assist with this, please email our IT manager - lepuill@spexe.org.

St. Peter's Leading the Way Nationally

Jonny Baker, Assistant Headteacher and School Chaplain continues to provide weekly assemblies for all schools in the country through his work with The Church of England and Oak Academy. Our own students are able to benefit from these approaches with their tutors

If you would like to view any of the assemblies then please find a selection below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASxNHSt8DNA>) and he has continued to make video resources for secondary schools up and down the country since the start of this academic year.

Why do we belong together? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJPaNxr22AE&t=3s>

How do we know we are loved? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w8ubxHyWiAY>

How do we get back on track? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9V9X-vHJgJg&t=3s>

How can we make sense of our feelings? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10Vc3aRle2s>

Advent - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pU53C_LKaCQ&t=2s

Christmas - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dCwHm2_QcoE&t=1s

How do we face our fears? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CfnePzmVZCw&t=2s>

How can we have hope for tomorrow? - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ECFgTBIQOeo&t=15s>

Potential Hoax calls to parents regarding financial support for internet

We have been made aware from another school of a possible scam where families have been contacted to say that they would be entitled to a government grant as they were home-schooling their child. The caller advised that the grant was to cover additional costs such as broadband and stationery. Please remain vigilant to potential scams relating to the current difficult Covid situation and to refrain from sharing personal or bank details if there is any doubt.

Thank you so much for your continued patience and good wishes. Your encouraging feedback to staff really does make a difference as we too juggle with similar professional and personal challenges.

Yours faithfully

Phil Randall
Headteacher

Key Dates:

Half Term Break: Monday February 15th – Friday February 19th
Easter Break: Friday 2nd April (Good Friday) – Friday 16th April

'Life to the full for everyone.'