

St. Peter at Gowts Primary CE School Newsletter 2020

Unlocking the potential in all, empowering a community of hope

#### Notes from the Headteacher

Dear All,

We hope you have had a wonderful week. The weather seems to have really changed this week and we are now fully immersed into Autumn. Whilst it is quite overwhelming to keep up with the news at present, we hope you are managing to have some nice times with the children - curled up with a good book or a movie, with hot chocolate etc!

So, we are currently developing our home learning through the use of Google classrooms so that we are ready for a lockdown when or if this happens. Any home learning will be blended through Google classroom and a paper based approach. Please do let us know if you have any concerns and worries, we are here to help and support our whole school community through these very challenging times.

Our Harvest Festival was a lovely occasion, the amount of produce brought in from our families was absolutely phenomenal! The food will be donated to the local food bank and will really make a difference to people who need it in the Sincil Bank area. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

If you wish to view the Harvest Festival, please request to join our Facebook page (St. Peter at Gowts School Learning Community). It will be available to watch as a short movie on this page.



Take care Mrs Hickerton



#### Face Coverings

We would like to thank all our parents for using face

coverings on our site. This is for the safety of all. We hope to avoid lockdowns and feel that face covering use will help keep everyone safe and well. Thank you for supporting us with this decision. And thank you to Mrs Georgiou who made so many beautiful face coverings for any parents that forgot. We are really grateful to you all.



2nd October 2020

# Staffing Changes



We wish Mrs Park and her husband all the very best as they await the arrival of their baby girl. We look forward to meeting the new baby and wish them all the best as Mrs Park starts her maternity leave.

We are also delighted to welcome back Mrs Thorne to our teaching team. Mrs Thorne has returned from her maternity leave and will take up her role as Key Stage 1 team leader, as well as Year 2 class teacher with Mr Magee.

### PE Day Changes

As we move forward, there have been a few timetable changes, so from next week (Monday 5th October) your child's PE day will be as follows.

- Reception Friday
- Year 1 Monday
- Year 2 Thursday
- Year 3 Wednesday
- Year 4 Wednesday
- Year 5 Monday
- Year 6 Friday

Please could I also remind parents that from September we do return to our normal uniform expectations. The children now need to attend school on their PE days wearing the school PE kit. This is as follows:

- Plain white T-shirt/white airtex shirt
- Black shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms/skorts
- Trainers (not plimsolls as they will be outside sometimes)
- A school jumper

Please do not wear any multi-coloured tops, hoodies or different items as this is not part of our school uniform. It is especially important at the moment as the children are wearing PE kit for the whole day.

## Hot School Meals

We are absolutely delighted to let you know that from **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October**, we are now able to offer hot school meals for all children. Our hot school meals are provided by Kidz Kitchen. They have developed Covid friendly practices and as a school we now have the staff and procedures in order to safely serve hot meals on site. Hooray! If your child is entitled to free school meals in Key Stage 2, they will also receive a free meal. Please do select the different options on ParentMail to select which your child would like. If your child does not qualify for free school meals, you can also purchase the hot meals at the very reasonable price of £2.30. This is a brilliant way for busy families to ensure that their children get a superb hot meal at lunchtime.

## Diary Dates

13<sup>th</sup> October - Individual School Photographs (only for children who attend St. Peters)

16<sup>th</sup> October - Y5/Y6 WWII Workshop

W/c 19<sup>th</sup> October - DT Week

21<sup>st</sup> October - Y5/Y6 Visit from The 'Den' Man

22<sup>nd</sup> October - Children finish for half term

10<sup>th</sup> November - Flu Vaccinations in School (R-Y6)

11<sup>th</sup> November - British Values Day



## School Meal Provider