



“...Let us remember that, as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school.”

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 6th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the academic year draws quickly to a close, I wanted to write once again and thank you for your ongoing and continued support, during what has been a very difficult and testing time. I have been proud to lead our school community and lead the way on both a local and national level.

It always strikes me when we pull together as a community, what we can achieve together; both in joyous and sad times – none more so evident than the past 4 months. During this time, we have stayed open to vulnerable children and key worker children during the week, holidays and at weekend; we have supported families with food vouchers, technology and a listening ear and managed to get almost the whole school back in a safe and successful way. In amongst all of this, together we managed to raise £1600 for the school through the PTA's sponsored relay race – funds that are always much needed to schools. You may have noticed that we did not ask for a school fund contribution during this time, we did not feel it was the right thing to do; if, however you would like to contribute to the school, a payment option has been opened on Schoolcomms and we would welcome any contribution that you may wish to make.

Thoughts are turning to September and the ways in which school will attempt to move to a more 'normal' model. We aim to have classes taught together as we would normally do, meaning: Reception together in Birch, Year 1 and 2 joining together in Oak, Year 3 and 4 in Beech and Year 5 and 6 together in Maple. Our classes would then become a bubble in themselves and would be kept away from the other classes where possible at drop off, pick up, break and lunchtime – details of which can be found below. I am also expecting all children back in full-school-uniform for September, I hope this gives you enough time to arrange this over the coming weeks prior to a September return.

Class	Drop-Off	Pick-Up	Location
Birch	8.50 – 9.00	2.50 – 3.00	Birch Garden
Oak	8.50 – 9.00	3.00 – 3.10	Middle Door – New Building
Beech	8.40 – 8.50	3.10 – 3.20	Middle Door – New Building
Maple	8.40 – 8.50	3.10 – 3.20	Main Door – Heritage Building

If you have children in different year groups, can I ask that you drop-off and collect towards the end of the younger child's class-time, so there is no disruption to teaching time. Unfortunately, we are not offering after-school clubs in September, we are hoping to run these again from October half-term. We are also aiming to have Breakfast and After-School Club running from September, although we are awaiting further information from West Hill Life.

There is of course still information that is unknown at this point in time, however as more guidance is given, it will be communicated with you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully

Ben Hulme
Headteacher