



Bryn St Peter's C of E Primary School

May 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are well and coping with the various demands that this strange time has brought.

You are no doubt wondering about the implications of last night's announcement from the Prime Minister.

It was announced that schools will possibly be returning from June 1st. At the moment we do not have any details, other than it will be rec class, y1 and y6. There will be further information released to us in the coming days. We will keep you up to date when we get that information. Our priority will be to have as smooth and safe transition as possible and we have plans in school to make this happen, so the children are secure in school.

We would also like y5 to return to school as soon as possible and will be trying to factor this in to our plans.

Uniform

I understand that your children may have outgrown their uniforms if we return before the summer, and want to reassure you that we will work out a compromise when the time comes, so please don't worry about that.

As many of you will have uniform which is too small but still in good condition, we thought we might try and organise a 'uniform swap shop,' (a suggestion from one of our parents) which may also help with finances, so if you want to donate yours, get it ready and hopefully we will have some fresh clean uniforms which can be collected, when we can do so safely.

I'm sure you will have had lots of fun with hairstyles over the time away from school, but we ask now if you can start to move towards colours and styles that are appropriate for school and follow the guidance in the prospectus. (You will find this on our website)

Learning

Thank you everyone who has taken part in our on-line school community. Besides internet glitches and device differences, on the whole, it has been great to stay in contact with the majority of the children in school, and for them to maintain a link to their learning, their classmates and their teachers. Thank you, too, for the amount of positive feedback we have had.

We are here in school if you have problems accessing the work and want to speak to somebody or you can email us at enquiries@admin.ashtonsaintpeters.wigan.sch.uk.

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When we do come back to school children will have had a variety of experiences at home, so there will be a time of adjustment and sharing, and settling in, as we often have after every summer break, and the staff here are thinking about how that will look to best fit all of the children here.

Transition to high school

The high schools have been in touch and are keen to start the transition process for year 6 to move up in September.

Bereavement and sickness

If you and your family have suffered a loss during this time, please get in touch and let us know, so we can offer support to your child when they do return to school.

School will not be setting any work during the half term break, and staff will be taking a break, but there will continue to be some presence in school should you need to get in touch.

We hope to set you a challenge over the half term break. Watch out for it on facebook, email and your home/school learning section on the website...

I will be in touch specifically with Rec class, Y1, Y6 and Y5 families to let you know how we plan to move forward, as soon as I know more, and with all other classes to keep you updated.

In the meantime, enjoy the sunshine and take care of yourselves. Thank you, as always, for your support.

Julie Alcock
Headteacher

Interesting links:

Guidance for schools about temporary closing

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures/guidance-for-schools-about-temporarily-closing>

Free School Meal Guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance>

Our Plan to rebuild

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/our-plan-to-rebuild-the-uk-governments-covid-19-recovery-strategy>

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