



Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

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Welcome Back!

Although things were rather different for us all this year, we hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer. We extend a particular welcome to all the new pupils and parents who have joined us this September! We look forward to getting to know you much better! The pupils have made an excellent start to the new year and I have been really pleased with the enthusiasm shown in every class.



We appreciate that on the first day back it was rather confusing and frustrating for all, but with everyone's help and understanding the system now seems to be running far more smoothly. The overwhelming majority of parents are wearing masks—thank you for doing so—we do realise that there may be a minority who have medical exemptions.



Swimming

Swimming will not be commencing this half term due to the virus. We will keep you updated as the situation changes.

Music Lessons

Musical instrument lessons with LMS will start again week beginning 21st September for parents who have signed up to the service. You should have received a communication direct from LMS.



Sending Money in to School

When sending in money in to school please **use an envelope, label it with your child's name and tell us what it is for**, so we can avoid any mix ups! The correct change would also be appreciated as we do not always have change in school. Thank you. Remember you can also **use Scopay – which of course is Covid secure!**

Dinner Money

Many thanks to those parents who have paid in advance for their child's school meals. Please ensure you keep up to date with dinner money otherwise you will be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child.

Inhalers



If your child uses an inhaler, please ensure that they **ALWAYS** bring it to school and that it is in date. This is especially important if they are going on a school trip. If your child does not have their inhaler with them, they may not be able to go on the trip.

MISSION STATEMENT

Learning, growing and caring as part of
God's family

"I am the vine, and you are the branches. If any remain in me and I remain in them, they produce much fruit." (John 15:5)

Uniform

Thank you for sending your children in looking so smart in their uniform. We will be checking all uniform, including P.E. kit, next week to ensure it is **labelled with your child's name** (not just initials.) **Please** have a look at your child's uniform, especially coats, over the weekend. Reminder re skirts for school: no 'boob tube' type but either pleated or has a flare and is of knee length. **No jewellery (including earrings)** other than a simple watch is permitted. Also we do have a rail of pre-loved good quality uniform, including coats available for a small donation (or free if anyone is in need). Just ask.

Coats

Please send a coat in with your child every day as our lovely British autumn does seem to be upon us and although the day may start off bright and sunny, it can soon deteriorate and children are going outside as much as possible.



Parking

Please note: the car park is only available for parents to drop off children for Breakfast Club **before 8.15 am** and After School Club **after 4.30 pm**. Please do not use the car park at any other time for dropping off or collecting children (unless school has rung you because your child is poorly). Many thanks.

Water Bottles

Please can children bring **named** water bottles to school to have in class which must be brought home for cleaning daily. If your child has a packed lunch please ensure that the container is **named**.

Children's Birthdays

If your child wishes to bring individual bags of sweets to celebrate their birthday with the class, please notify us **in advance so we** can contact parents via text to inform them, leaving individual families to decide whether they wish to sanitise before allowing their child to open the sweets. Thank you.

Hand Gels/Wipes

Please **DO NOT** give either of these to your child to bring to school. Children are given ample time to frequently wash their hands in school and all cleaning materials are provided.

Class Letters

Class teachers have given out letters today providing details of this term's curriculum. Please ensure your child gives you this, except Y6 as they have been e-mailed. **Going forward, we will be minimising communication by paper and will be emailing or texting instead, so please would you ensure we have up to date contact details. Thank you.**

