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Curriculum Update from Mrs Matthews

Sadly, we are coming to the end of our 'Skin I'm In' unit of work. I am sure that you will agree that this has been an excellent topic and I am so proud of the children for their levels of interest and understanding that they have built about their own identity, that of others and how history has shaped the experiences of people of all ethnic backgrounds both in Britain and across the World.

As the next part of our 'Is Change Always Good?' learning focus, the children will begin their next unit of work on the 16th November. In this new unit of work, 'Medicine and Me', the children will learn about the human body, how it works and how, for some people parts the body (including the brain) may not function in a 'typical' way, leading to visible and unseen conditions and disabilities. The children will build upon their learning from 'The Skin I'm In', using opportunities to engage in discussions about disability, equality and discrimination. Using their experiences of the COVID-19 pandemic and their knowledge of the respiratory system, pupils will learn about what makes us ill, how diseases can be spread and how infection control measures and developments in modern medicine as well as lifestyle factors, are the key to keeping themselves and others healthy.

Covid-19 Guidelines



Following the announcement of a second national lockdown we sent out a letter over half term to let you know about some changes to life at St Paul's. Please can we remind you that, unless you are exempt under the government regulations, we expect **ALL** parents and carers to wear a face mask at drop off and collection times while on the school premises. Additionally, In order to reduce the number of visitors to our site, we will only be allowing one adult to drop off/collect children at any one time.

Government guidelines are subject to change, so please ensure you keep up to date with regulations on covid testing, mandatory isolation periods and changes to social bubbles and childcare arrangements.

Time To Talk Meetings

These will take place virtually on Wednesday 25th November. We are still researching the easiest way of making appointments and will update you as soon as possible.



Schedule change for the last week of term



In order to plan for 'covid restricted' Christmas lunch and parties we are changing the school schedule for the last week of term **ONLY**. We will close at the **later** time (Air: 2.40-2.50, Earth: 3.00-3.10 and Water: 3.20-3.30) on **Wednesday 16th December**, and will close **early** on **Friday 18th December** (Air: 1.0-1.10, Earth 1.20-1.30 and Water: 1.40-1.50). More information on our plans for Christmas dinners and parties will be sent out closer to the date.

Say cheese!

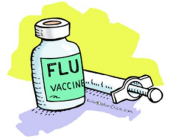


siblings for photos.

We are pleased to confirm the photographer will be visiting school on Monday 16th November 2020 to take individual and sibling photographs. So, full school uniform for all and smartly combed hair please! The photographers have assured us they will fully comply with our covid protocols, and our class bubbles will not be mixed. Unfortunately this year due to the covid regulations we are unable to invite non-school pupils into school to join their

Flu vaccinations

A reminder the flu vaccinations will take place in school on Thursday 26th November. The immunisation team have assured us they will be wearing full PPE which will be changed between each child and that all surfaces will be completely sanitised between each vaccination.



Poppies are available in the office. If you wish to buy a poppy for either yourselves or your child, please talk to a member of staff on the gate and we will arrange a socially distant collection for you.

Please join us in welcoming some new staff to the St Paul's family: Miss Brindley joins us a Teaching Partner in Phase 1 Air, and Mrs Ahmed as Teaching Partner in Phase 2 Water. And many of you will already know Mrs Peyetti who is working with Mrs Goode in Phase 3 Earth.



Children in Need

It's that time of year when we unleash our 'inner Pudsey' and take part in BBC's Children In Need appeal, raising money to help young people in need both in the UK and across the world. We're limited this year in how we can fundraise, and so we are holding a non-uniform day on **Friday 13th November**. However, in order to identify houses and support our class bubbles, we are asking pupils to wear their house colour on top, for example jeans and a yellow, green or blue top. We are suggesting a donation of £1, but please remember normal school uniform is fine if you don't wish to take part.



STARS OF THE WEEK!



Stars of the Week

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| Phase 1 Air | Breezae, for always trying hard |
| Phase 2 Air | Oli, for brilliant following of routines, expectations, and consistent hard work |
| Phase 1 Earth | Renayah, for being a kind, helpful member of the class and looking out for others |
| Phase 2 Earth | Thimashi, for doing so well with her times tables |
| Phase 3 Earth | James, for showing great tenacity in maths |
| Phase 1 Water | Nate, for excellent retention and recall |
| Phase 2 Water | Rioco - Excellent addition and subtraction work |
| Phase 3 Water | David, for a consistently conscientious approach to every part of his learning |

Well done everyone! Keep up the good work 😊