



NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents,

I hope you are all well.

We are really looking forward to seeing all the children back on Monday. We know for many they will be nervous about it, having not been in since 18th December! It will be a week of settling and getting used to being in school again.

I have various updates and reminders for you in the newsletter today and things to flag up.

<u>LFT testing for adults</u> – you had a letter from me on Tuesday about this. I know that there has been some reporting that the LFT tests are for children – this isn't the case for primary children. Primary school children should not use LFTs at the moment. If that advice changes I will let you know.

<u>Back to school letter and information</u> – last week I sent you a back to school letter with all the arrangements on. Please refer back to that. We operate as we did back in December and that letter guides you through those arrangements. A couple of specifics to pick up:

Year 6 – please remember you come through the door by the toilets at the end of the wing.

Handwashing – children must wash their hands on the school site before they come into the building.

It is really important that adults remember their <u>social distancing and face masks.</u> We do have a number of parents who are nervous about being out in the community and if everyone follows this it will help reassure them. The school site will be busier from next week so if all parents can please keep to the paths around the site and keep to the minimum number of people collecting and dropping off children, ideally one if possible.

Mrs Oakley has shared some hints and tips for returning to school next week, which you might find helpful. Please can children remember to bring in the books that went home. Borrowed devices stay at home for the time being.

<u>Letter from Chair of Governors</u> – John Wardle our Chair of Governors has written to you today about our plan to join the St Chad's Academies Trust. There is lots of information in his letter and the FAQs attached.

I hope you all manage to get some down time this weekend at some point.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Reading to Soda

Soda has loved hearing children read to her this week. Thank you, children. We have super readers at St. Peter's!















The return to school, hints and tips for parents and pupils

The night before school plan.....

Soothe- Do some calming activities before bed, gentle music and soft lighting can help.

Understand - Let them know you understand their feelings about returning to school and reassure them they will be safe and have a lovely time.

Neutralise - Talk through each worry in turn and help find a solution.

Decide - On a plan, work out a schedule, pack their bags, get uniform ready. Seeing these visually can help take away any worries.

Attend - give them a little more time tonight, they need nurturing.

Yourself - Its only natural that you will feel anxious, this is okay, try not to let it overwhelm you and engage in some relaxation yourself once they are tucked up in bed.

School morning plan....

Manage - Yourself first, you need to make sure you're feeling calm.

Organise - Get up a little earlier, get breakfast ready, put the bags by the door, this will give you more time to be with your child.

Decide - Make a plan with the child. Talk through how you're getting to school, what will happen when you get there.

Accept - The child's emotional state and give them reassurance that they will be safe. Keep yourself calm.

Remind - Your child that they will have a great time and that you can't wait to hear about their day when you nick them up later.

We look forward to welcoming you back.

News from the classes

Olivia in 501 has been raising money for PANS PANDAS UK. She has been achieving this in an extremely brave way... by having 30 cold showers of no less than a minute each!

Olivia's amazing act has got her spotted by BBC Shropshire Radio – and she got to talk about what she has been doing on their breakfast show!

Originally setting a target for £300, she has already surpassed this and raised a fantastic £625!

We are so proud of Olivia – well done for this super act of kindness and courage!



Grace from 501 entered the Wellington Rotary club young Photographer competition. She had to take three photos with the theme "wild nature".

This turned into an excellent lockdown project and whenever we were on a walk Grace was on the lookout for subjects!

She was thrilled to find out she has won her age group and her photos will now progress to the next round! She was equally thrilled to win a £30 Amazon voucher!



Lucy in RO2 and Benjamin in 2R2 have been helping to become 'Street Champions' through Telford and Wrekin Council.

Both have really enjoyed walking and spotting the litter to collect. Even if it's a day they haven't taken the litter pickers with them, they still spot it and remember where it was to go back to it another time.

They have picked up litter around the outside of the school grounds too. Well done Lucy and Benjamin!



Wellington Cricket Club are offering a free taster session during the Easter holidays for all local children in years 4,5 and 6. Please follow the link below for details.

Details of the session are at: wellingtoncc.co.uk/taster