



# St Peter & St Paul CE Primary School, Eye

November 2021

## Message from Mrs Barrow

We hope you all had a good half term with your families.

There will be lots of lovely events coming up this term as we approach Christmas.

Thank you so much to all of you who recently attended a reading café and parents evening. It has been lovely to see parents again and thank you for working with us to support our children's learning.

We are pleased to say that tutoring will re-commence for some children this term and will help us to boost the confidence of pupils who need this.

We have been working really hard to put more content onto our website about the Curriculum– please do take a look.

We look forward to another good half term.

## Covid-19 Guidance – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Just to remind you about updated guidance from Suffolk County Council (SCC) regarding Covid-19.

As case numbers are currently high in Suffolk, these actions are intended to break the chain of transmission and protect education settings from outbreaks. SCC have stated the following:

- Suffolk's children and young people aged between 4 and 18 years are now advised to **stay at home when a sibling they live with, who attends an education setting with an outbreak, tests positive** for COVID-19.
- All siblings who live in the same house as the positive case should get a **PCR test from the third day** following the initial positive PCR. If this comes back as **negative** and the siblings feel well, those siblings can **return to their education setting**.
- If any sibling develops symptoms, they should isolate immediately and take another PCR test.
- If any sibling tests positive, they should isolate immediately.

SCC Public Health is also advising that:

- Staff in education settings to wear **face coverings** in communal areas outside of the classroom, unless exempt for medical reasons
- Any visitors to wear a face covering while on-site, this includes **adults collecting children in the playground**.

Therefore, we are reintroducing the need for face coverings to be worn in the playground when dropping off and collecting your child, unless you are exempt for medical reasons, from **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. I would like to reassure you that we will still be handwashing regularly, have ventilated rooms and have an extra awareness of hygiene in school in an attempt to prevent illnesses spreading. We also ask that you continue to monitor your child/ren for any illnesses and symptoms of Covid-19. Please do contact the school office if you are concerned about your child so that we can advise you of the next steps to take.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions or queries, then please do get in touch.



## Fabulous educational visits!



We are so pleased that planned educational visits to the Sainsbury's Centre and the Natural History Museum were able to take place. Thanks to parents and carers for supporting these and to our exceptionally well behaved children who we couldn't be more proud of!



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## Staffing News

We were sad to say goodbye to Mrs Reid our Administration Officer over half term. She has worked hard at our school and we will miss her but wish her all the best as she has decided to spend more time with her family.

We welcome Mrs Norton to our school soon who will be our new Administration Officer.

We were delighted to announce shortly before half term that Mrs Watts will be joining us from January as our new Headteacher. She will be visiting the school regularly before then and we are very much looking forward to showing her around our fabulous school.

## Communication

Thank you to those of you who have mentioned that not all parents received the email to say the coach was delayed back from the Natural History Museum. Apologies for this and we will look at rectifying this situation and investigate using a text messaging service to supplement this. We are concerned we hold incorrect email addresses for you so will send home a data collection sheet to ensure we have updated details. Please fill these in when they come home with your child and return them to school.

## Hilltop Residential

We hope that Year 6 have a great time at Hilltop next week. They will be accompanied by Miss Thornton and Mr Parslow-Williams so please be assured they will be very well looked after and the visit will be a fun and enjoyable one!

## Information on school attendance expectations

We have been asked by the DfE to remind parents that:

- ◆ A parent has a duty to ensure that their child attends school regularly.
- ◆ School have a responsibility to record attendance and follow up absence including the ability for schools and local authorities to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct.
- ◆ Please ensure your child attends school every day this year unless they are very unwell.

## Uniform

### Reminder

Uniform is a really important part of making children feel part of the school and take pride in their appearance. Can we please remind you that we expect children to wear full uniform and we will be sending home firm reminders if children do not have this in the new academic year. Can we remind you that pupils should wear black school shoes and not trainers.

### Second hand Uniform

A huge thank you to everyone for donations of uniform. Children who need this are benefitting and their families are extremely grateful. We have a shortage of larger sized school jumpers– if you have any that your children have grown out of these will be gratefully received and as your children transfer to High School next year please remember any donations are gratefully received. Not only do children and their families benefit but by recycling uniform our environment benefits too.

**Thank you!**

## Beech Class reporting.....

"We saw a moving, electronic dinosaur" Eliza

"We saw a giant sloth" Mickey

"We went to the Bug House and my favourite was every single bug!" Mollie

"The giant sloth was really big– I saw its skeleton! It was bigger than Mrs Skipper".  
Erin

"The big whale was amazing" Archie

"I liked all the fossils" Immy

"I liked the robot dinosaurs– and we did see some fossils! One was very big". Bella

