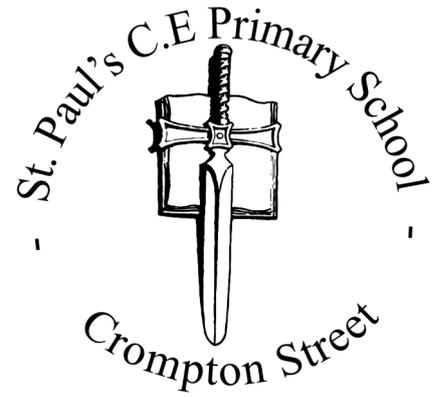


St. Paul's CE Primary School

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Thank youand updates

Many thanks to all parents who have been uploading some lovely photos to class dojo for us to share. It is really great to see all the different activities children are involved in. Thank you also for your patience in waiting for further information on the school reopening plans.

The beginning of the release of the Guidance from the DfE for the phased reopening of schools has begun (the latest document being received at 7pm last night which has been further amended). We are in the process of finalising a phased opening plan for increasing the number of children in school and once we have all necessary information to be able to update you with our plans we will then be able to share these with you.

There are a number of major aspects of the guidance which will have an impact on the provision that we may be able to offer to any year groups, many of which have been highly publicised in the media, some incorrectly. We do not have the space or staffing to offer full time places to all of the year groups suggested, whilst social distancing.

Keyworker children have been in school in groups of up to 15 the whole time of the closure and both they and staff have been amazing in managing this, including social distancing in the hall and outdoors. We just want to be sure that whatever we share regarding the wider opening of school will be as informative as possible considering and sharing any changes being made for the safety of everyone. I don't intend to send any surveys out, as I know many schools are, until I can share the finalised plan, which is impossible until we have all the guidance necessary so we cannot yet reliably do that. Once we can this will then allow you to make an informed decision on what is best for you and your family regarding your children attending school and ask any questions. Please be assured we are planning for a return and school is beginning to look different in line with this guidance.

I will be in contact with you as soon as I can on what as a school we are able to offer to pupils at St Paul's from 1st June, however please bear with me for the above reasons.

I appreciate that you will want to make plans, however as always our primary concern is to ensure the safety of everyone in school and ensure any changes made are sustainable and the best they can be in the circumstances for all children. We also need to consider when the whole school are ready to return in

any plans that we are proposing (which we really do hope it will be safe to do so very soon as we would love to see all our children back in school again).

If you have any immediate queries please email office@stpaulscrompton.org.uk and I will do my best to answer them.

Internet Safety

Today's internet safety poster is for anyone whose children has a PS4, but much of the information could also be applied to other gaming systems.

Perseverance

Attached with this newsletter is a Worship2go activity sheet with this week's theme of Perseverance. This again has some lovely ideas with prayers, fun activities and quotes to support children (and adults) keeping positive and having faith during these difficult times. We hope you find it helpful.

Christian Values Competition

We have had some lovely entries for the competition so far. Please get your entries in and the winner from each year group will then be chosen.

Looking after ourselves during lockdown

As always the important thing is to ensure you are happy, healthy and safe during these challenging times.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/7-ways-to-stay-happy-and-calm-at-home/zhqjjhv>

The BBC have produced some guidance on 7 ways to stay happy and calm at home....finishing with cut yourself some slack and be kind to yourself. If you feel you need any support and we can help in any way please email office@stpaulscrompton.org.uk and we will contact you.

Kindness during the coronavirus outbreak

