



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer,

As you are aware, in line with Government guidelines St Paul's School will be closed from Monday 23 March in order to suppress the spread of the Coronavirus (Covid-19). The school will be closed to all students apart from those identified as being the children of "Key Workers" and / or vulnerable (as identified by the school).

In addition to the above, the Government has announced their plans to provide assistance to all children eligible for free school meals whilst these children are not in school. Whilst Southwark Council offers free meals to ALL pupils across the borough, the Government advice is very clear that the school can only provide meals for those families who are in receipt of certain benefits which we have listed below:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

As such, on **Monday 23 March**, the School will be providing a hot meal for all children of families who fall into the above criteria.

Meals can be collected from the Key Stage 1 gate between 11am and 12 noon and parents / carers are asked to bring evidence (dated recently) of their entitlement with them in order to receive a meal.

Further to the above, the school is aiming to provide E-Vouchers / Gift Cards to eligible families once the Government has developed the National Approach. If you believe you are entitled and would like to receive an E-Voucher / Gift Card, please could you email the school office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk by 12noon on Monday 23 March. We will be sure to keep you updated.

Please could we remind all parents to check the School's website regularly as all information will be available from there.

We thank you for your understanding whilst we apply the guidance given by the Government and are grateful for your patience whilst we work out the finer details to support our pupils and their families through this difficult period.

Yours sincerely,

Tracey Crannitch
Acting Headteacher



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