



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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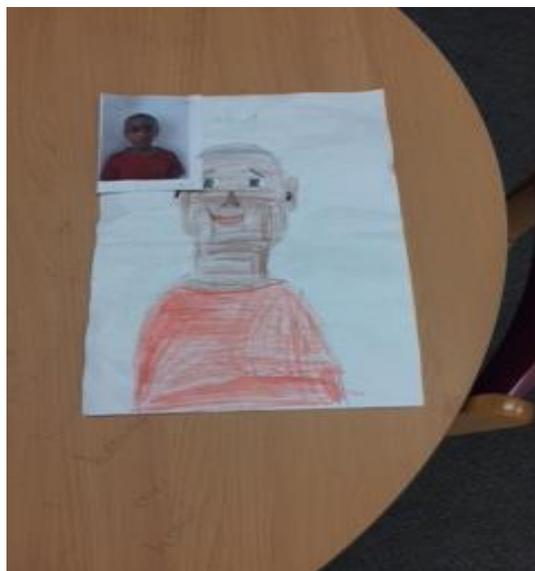
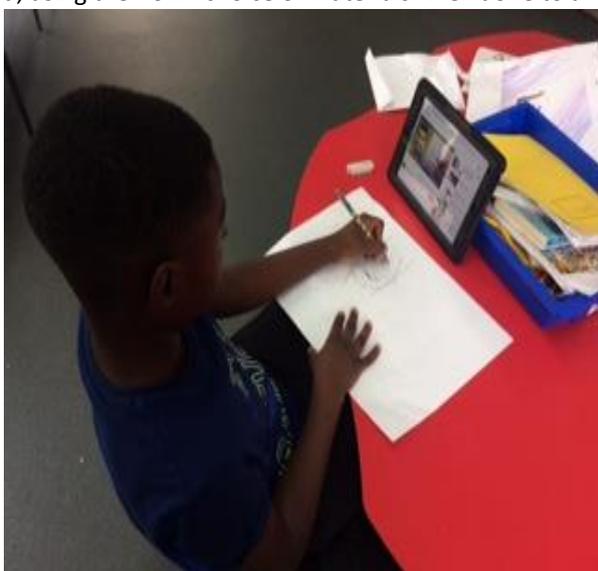
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Silke  
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Crannitch  
Inclusion Lead: Miss Anne Browne



## A message from your Headteacher, Mrs Silke:

The children in the keyworker bubble have had a very busy week this week during their maths and English lessons but also when learning about lots of different artists in their Art topic. The children studied different Artists each day such as Van Gogh, Georgia Okeefe, Picasso and Arcimboldo. On Friday, they were then able produce their own piece of art inspired by the artist's studied, using their own choice of materials. Well done to all!



## September Re-opening

We are currently reviewing our Risk Assessment to ensure that we can open the school to all of your children in a way that is safe for them, parents and carers and staff.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> September will be INSET days so that all staff can be fully briefed on the new Risk Assessment before we welcome you and your children back on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September. We will have to have staggered starts for all Year groups so please lookout for your newsletter on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> which will outline the start and finish times of the school day for all Year groups as well as the Risk assessment measure that will be in place.

I want to give you advance notice that we will not be able to provide after school club or breakfast club until after half term at the earliest. This is because we need to get the school up and running safely before we can adequately risk assess whether it is possible to open these clubs safely. I would like to apologise profusely to all parents for any inconvenience this may cause.

## End of Year Reports and Classes for Next Year

Your child's school report has been written by their teacher based on their assessments done before the lock down and will be sent out to you before the end of term.

We will also be contacting you next week by email to let you know which class your child will be in and who their teacher is. Thank you for your patience at this time.

## St Paul's Foodbank

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### Supermarket Vouchers – Registration For DFE Free School Meals (FSM status)

You may have heard the good news that the Government has now agreed to fund supermarket vouchers for families registered for free school meals over the Summer holiday. I am very mindful that due to Coronavirus the financial circumstances for many families may have changed and so I am keen to ensure that all our families get the support they need and deserve.

All children at St Paul's are entitled to receive a free school dinner, which is an initiative unique to Southwark LA. This is totally different to having FSM status in line with the DFE criteria and it is only FSM children who are entitled to the supermarket vouchers.

Please note that in order to access the government supermarket voucher scheme you need to be in receipt of one of the benefits listed below:

- Income Support.
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190).
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

If you do meet any of the above criteria and you have not yet registered for FSM status then please contact the school by emailing [office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk) or calling 0207 703 4896

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#### Staff News - Important Goodbyes and Thankyous

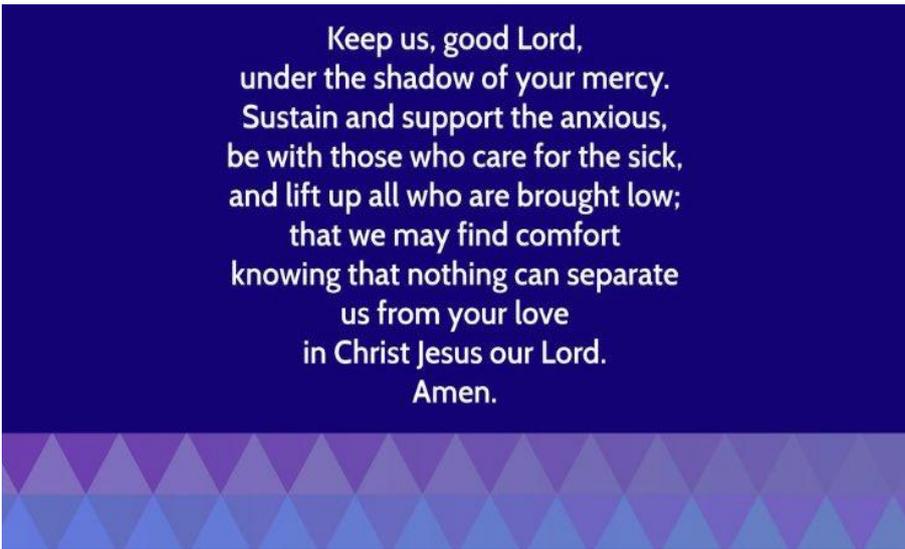
Sadly, we need to say goodbye and thank you to Miss Brown, Mrs Jones, and Mr Lees who have all come to the end of their fixed term contracts.

Mrs Mills will also be leaving us to pursue a career in Dubai. I know you will all join me in thanking them for all their brilliant hard work but also in wishing every success in their future careers.

#### Welcomes for September

Anthony Chavez, an extremely experienced Senior leader will be joining the school in September as Inclusion Leader and SENCO. We will also welcome 2 strong Newly Qualified Teachers who are full of new and exciting ideas – Miss Lea-Wilson and Miss Russell.

### A Prayer for Times of Challenge



Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy.  
Sustain and support the anxious,  
be with those who care for the sick,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may find comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate  
us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Amen.

Love and prayers to you all,  
The St Paul's Team.