



# St Paul's First School—Coven

## Update on School Arrangements

### Friday 8th June 2018

#### School News

I would like to start by saying thank you to the staff, governors, children and parents at St Paul's, as well as to our colleagues at Staffordshire County Council, St Mary's and Wolgarston. Everyone has been simply amazing at supporting the school during an incredibly difficult situation.

The leadership teams and staff at both St Mary's and Wolgarston have been wonderful at making arrangements for us to join them in a very short period of time and we have been made to feel extremely well. The children have settled in amazingly well to their new learning environments and have enjoyed exploring their new surroundings.

I have been especially impressed with the resilience that the children have shown in dealing with this situation. I am so very proud of each and every one of them. The staff too have coped extremely well without their usual resources around them and have done a fantastic job in getting the classrooms ready for the children in just one day! I am lucky to be the Headteacher of such a wonderful school with such fantastic support from the local community. Thank you everyone!

#### Travel Arrangements

We appreciate parents being patient and understanding this week as we have got used to the new travel arrangements.

I would like to remind parents not to use the car park gate to walk through, and to ensure that they are with their children as they cross the car park gateway. We have had a few near misses this week as parents have let their children run off, unsupervised.

#### Summer Fayre

In case we are still unable to access the school on 30th June, we have made the decision to rearrange the Summer Fayre to take place at the Memorial Hall instead.

The new date for the Summer Fayre is Sunday 15th July, 1:00—4:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

#### Contacting the School

Parents should continue to contact St Paul's office with any messages or queries that they have and Mrs Pace will pass on these messages to the relevant staff members. **Please do not phone St Mary's or Wolgarston directly.**

For the time being, we are using the school mobile phone number which is:

**07568 359929**

We will let you know once our school phone lines are back in action.

#### Reading Challenge and Reading Books

Due to our reading scheme books being inside the school, and the logistics of having staff on different sites, the reading challenge has been suspended while we are at St Mary's and Wolgarston. Whilst we are still continuing with Guided Reading sessions within lessons, we are unable to stamp and change books on a daily basis.

Therefore, I would like to ask parents to continue reading other books at home with their children and possibly visit the local library to access other reading books during this time away from St Paul's.

#### PE Update

The children will need to bring their PE kits to school by Monday as PE lessons will restart next week. Children without PE kits will be sent to another St Paul's class during PE lessons.

#### Year 1 Phonic Screening

Just a reminder to our Year 1 parents that their children will take part in the statutory Year 1 Phonic screening test next week. These tests will take part during the week and will be done with adults that are familiar to the children. Please try to ensure that your child is in school each day.

#### Father's Day Sale

The Father's Day Sale will now take place on Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th and Friday 15th June at the Memorial Hall at home time. Items on sale will cost £2.00 each.