

# Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School,

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Friday 13th October 2023

Dear Parent / Carers,

### Re: Scarlet Fever

We have been informed that a small number of children who attend Nursery have been diagnosed with scarlet fever.

We have sought advice from UK Health Security Agency North West Health Protection Team. They have advised that although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others.

### Symptoms of scarlet fever:

The symptoms of scarlet fever include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. This is followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On more darkly-pigmented skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like 'sandpaper'. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth.

### If you think you or your child have scarlet fever:

See your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible.

Ask your GP to take a throat swab to confirm if this is scarlet fever.

Make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor. Stay at home and away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection.

If you/your child has an underlying condition which affects the immune system, you should contact your GP or hospital doctor to discuss whether any additional measures are needed.

### Potential complications:

Children who have had **chickenpox** recently are more likely to develop more serious infection during an outbreak of scarlet fever and so parents/guardians should remain vigilant for symptoms such as a persistent high fever, cellulitis (skin infection) and arthritis (joint pain and swelling). If you are concerned for any reason please seek medical assistance immediately. **All children with chickenpox should remain off school / nursery until at least 5 days after the start of their rash AND until all their spots have crusted over.** 

### Infection control advice:

The Health Protection Team have advised us on hygiene measures to help prevent spread within our school / nursery. Parents/guardians can also help with this by reminding children of the importance of coughing / sneezing into tissues and placing these in the bin, washing hands regularly and ensuring any breaks to the skin are covered with a waterproof plaster/dressing before attending school / nursery.

## You can find more information at:

- NHS Choices https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/
- UKHSA Scarlet Fever Frequently Asked Questions
   https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/scarlet-fever-symptoms-diagnosis-treatment

If you have any further questions, please contact the school on 477 8205

## **School Attendance**

The class with the best attendance will be rewarded with toast on a Monday morning break time.. Please be on time for school, gates open at 8.45pm and children go straight into class everyday,

gates close at 8.55am

Little Saints	80.6%	Class Plessington	91.2%
Nursery	61.35%	Class Moore	93.8%
Class Owen	94.4%	Class Fisher	94.8%
Class Adams	94.7%	Class Howard	91%
Class Campion	92%	Class Clitherow	94.1%
Class Bamber	94.7%	Class Kirby	95.6%
Class Rigby	93.3%	Whole school total	90.9%
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A big dip in attendance this week resulting in note class over the school target of 96%. We still have lots of broken weeks where children are having one day or two day off a week please try to eliminate these absences if at all possible. Report all absences via parents app if your child is off school for any reason this needs to be reported. Let's see if we can improve attendance and get some children winning the toast again next week

## **Most Improved Handwriting this Week**

We are continuing to have a focus on handwriting. We have a handwriting board on the school corridor which displays one beautiful piece of work for each class in school each week. As well as this we are giving certificates out in assembly for the child with the most improved handwriting each week and their name will appear in the newsletter. So for this week we have the following pupils with the most improved handwriting this week;

Class Owen	Renesmae Bennett	Class Pless.	Baxter Grant Thompson
Class Adams	Niamh McCabe	Class Moore	Katie Price
Class Campion	Mason holiday	Class Fisher	Lewis Arkwright
Class Bamber	Joshua Wenham	Class Howard	Boe burns
Class Rigby	Jesse Furlong	Class Clitherow	Anna Socha
		Class Kirby	Cara Ireland

### **Autumn / Winter Uniforms**

- Pale blue short sleeved shirt
- School tie (blue with yellow stripes) on string for KS1/FS, clips on for KS2
- Royal blue cardigan/jumper (with school badge)
- Grey skirt /Pinafore/ trousers (girls)
- Grey long or short trousers (boys)
- Black shoes to be worn, No trainers.
- P.E. Kit: White t-shirt (with school badge) with royal blue shorts and black pumps
- Plain Royal blue, white or plain grey socks or tights
- Small Royal Blue, gold or white hair accessories only are allowed
- P.E. bags can be obtained from school

Only PE bags and school homework/book bags allowed in school and children are encouraged to use a small packed lunch box or a very small packed lunch bag.



AWARDS - Friday 13th October					
Nursery	<u>Owen</u>	<u>Adams</u>			
Jordan McKee	Cailan Fitzpatrick	Lucia Connerty			
Jolene Ryan	Harper Hall	Freya Maning			
Zaydon Davies	Sadie Dryhurst	Eddie Mellor			
Charlie Kilshaw					
<u>Campion</u>	<u>Bamber</u>	Rigby			
Darla Downes	Freddie Smith	Lacey Smith			
Myles Todd	George Klieve	Izabella Harrison			
Frankie Edwards	Ava Hannibal	Harper Anderson			
<u>Plessington</u>	<b>Moore</b>	<u>Fisher</u>			
Liz Ripposati Do Valle	Dylan Brady	Bella Reese			
Kyle Doran	Peter Bradbury Wright	Hattie Douglas			
Lucas Jowet	Amaya Parry	Jayden Tayar			
<b>Howard</b>	<u>Clitherow</u>	<u>Kirby</u>			
Jayden Smith	All of year 6	Jamie McKee			
Joseph McCarthy	lyla Fitzpatrick	Molly Sandys			
Frankie Nodwell	Albie Worthington	Evie Smith			
Gerard Hagen					
Well done everyone!					

If your child pays for school dinners – please ensure payment is made for next week's meals by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

### Flu Nasal Spray

NHS staff will be coming into school on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 to deliver Flu nasal spray to Rec – Y6 pupils whose parents have given prior permission.

The online e consent link is now active. Please see below the link and the QR code to complete a consent form. Nursery Parents – drop-in session if parents/carers wish to attend - (you will need to select this on consent form).



Paper copies have been sent out

please return as soon as possible

Or

### Dates for your diary- Save the dates for All Saints Catholic High School

- Y4 Super Saturdays 25th Nov
- Y5 Super Saturdays 16 March 2024

Interview intake night – 30<sup>th</sup> April, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Y6 Intake Evening- 18th and 20th June 2024

Y6 Induction Day -Friday 28th June

Y5 Fun Day - 5th July 2024

#### **SPORT**

Y5/6 cross country race at All Saints 3.45pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – team letters to be sent out this week

Have a happy weekend - we will see you back in school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Don't forget gates close at 8.55am

Can you get 5 days attendance this week?

Can you get 100% attendance in October?

<u>October half term</u> - pupils finish on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October and return on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

If parents have problems/issues with school, you are always welcome to come into school and discuss these – we all want the very best for our children.

However, we will not tolerate abuse and swearing at school staff on or off school premises. If this occurs, we will implement sanctions to ban parents from school site.

## Maths course for parents in school

From Wednesday 29th November 1:00 till 3:00pm school will be hosting a maths course for parents who do not have a maths GCSE grade C or higher- if you attend these courses your child will be entitled to free maths tuition in school! If you are interested please contact Vicki Powell on 07825117487 or Victoria.Powell@knowslev.gov.uk