

## Spalding St Paul's Primary



Growing together to be Proud of everything we do

Personal Excellence

Respect

Opportunities

Uniqueness

Discovery

## The St Paul's Post

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# Happy New Year 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children back into school this term. They have come back into school with such a positive attitude and appear really happy to be back into school – seeing their friends again and settling back into school routines.

It was with great sadness we heard that over the Christmas period one of our lunchtime supervisors, Holly Maxwell, sadly passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time. In class, we have provided work on bereavement and loss to support our children in an age-appropriate way which allowed us to inform pupils of Holly's death and celebrate all that she meant to us. If you feel your children may have been impacted by this or other similar issues at home please speak to a member of staff so that we will be able to offer any additional support to children who need it, through our pastoral support team.

On the day of Holly's funeral, the staff and children will be having a celebration of people and things special to us, as a mark of respect.

If you have any questions about your child please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. Myself, Miss Palmer and other staff are also available to answer any questions you might have. Please keep a look out for us outside at the start and end of the day.

Kind Regards

Selina Ratchford and all the Staff at St Paul's Primary School

## Playground behaviour before School

Please respect everyone's right to feel safe and secure on our school site. Aggressive or intimidating behaviour is not acceptable and will not be tolerated by our school community. If you are feeling upset or frustrated please raise your concerns with the appropriate member of school staff in a calm and respectful manner.



## Responding to emails



Staff are working very hard in the school day so it is not always possible for them to respond to emails straight away. If you send a message or email to staff please allow 5 working days for them to respond.

## 5 Ways to Wellbeing



TALK & LISTEN,  
BE THERE,  
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,  
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,  
MOVE YOUR HOOD



REMEMBER  
THE SIMPLE  
THINGS THAT  
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW  
EXPERIENCES,  
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,  
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,  
your words,  
your presence

As a school, we are always looking at ways to improve the wellbeing of our staff and pupils. We have been involved in the 5 Ways to Wellbeing across the school for a number of years but this term we are going to be making sure we take time to look after our wellbeing in school.

Evidence suggests there are 5 steps you can take to help improve your mental health and wellbeing: these are to connect, be active, take notice, keep learning and give. We are going to try these simple steps in school to help us all, feel happier, more positive and able to get the most from life. It would be great if you could talk about the 5 Ways to Wellbeing with your children at home too. Good mental health and wellbeing is essential. It helps children to learn effectively, cope with day-to-day challenges, and develop resilience

## Lateness and absence at School

At Spalding St Paul's Primary, we place great importance on good attendance and punctuality.

We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Those children who are regularly absent from school and regularly late do not achieve their potential and do fall behind in class. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time at 8.40am.

**Attendance matters! It is important that your child gets to school on time and aims for 100% attendance!**

**LOST MINUTES =  
LOST LEARNING!**

**3**  
days lost

5  
minutes late

**6.5**  
days lost

10  
minutes late

**10**  
days lost

15  
minutes late

**13**  
days lost

20  
minutes late

**19**  
days lost

30  
minutes late

## Coats in School



Some children have been arriving to school without a coat. As we are in the winter months when it can be very cold, all children need to have a coat to put on for break and lunch times please.

## Safeguarding

Safeguarding is an incredibly important means of protecting at-risk individuals from harm, abuse and neglect.

Every child has the right to be safe, whether that's at home, at school, in out-of-school clubs or with other people, such as grandparents and for the most part, everyone involved in the care of children has their best interests at heart, and wants them to be happy and healthy.

In some cases, though, there may be concerns about the wellbeing of a child, which is where safeguarding – the act of protecting children from harm and promoting their welfare and human rights – comes in.

All staff at Spalding St Paul's Primary School are safeguarding trained.

The designated safeguarding lead(s) has overarching responsibilities regarding safeguarding in our school. They will have an in-depth knowledge of safeguarding guidance that school follows.

If you have a worry or concern about any child's welfare at School, please talk to the School's Designated Safeguarding Leads.

Miss Donna Palmer



Inclusion lead

Designated  
Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Selina Ratchford



Headteacher

Deputy Designated  
Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Caroline Glass



Local School Board

Safeguarding Lead

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Keeping  
children safe  
is everyone's  
responsibility



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a child?

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