



17th January 2019

Dear Parents

Mass and Assembly – a copy of the mass and assembly rota has been sent out today and is available to view on the school website <http://stpetersstalybridge.co.uk/parents-information/mass-and-assembly-rota/> Year 4 will have a class mass on **Tues 22nd January** and the first class assembly will be **Year 3 on Friday 25th January** at 2:45pm.

Admission to school September 2019 – the on-line application process has now closed; any late applications need to be registered through the Admissions Section at Tameside MBC 0161 342 8355. Two proofs of residency are required, please send into school.

Admission to nursery September 2019 – A letter will be sent out by the end of January regarding Nursery applications for September 2019. Evidence of residency will be requested.

School Money - We have recently received updated information from our school money website provider Eduspot, who say with online payments on the rise they would like to remind you to be extra vigilant when making payments. We are sending out a letter today from Eduspot to explain in detail. Later this month Eduspot will be providing parents with changes to the password procedure and when your login you will be taken directly to the parent login page. To read in more detail please click on the link to the website <http://stpetersstalybridge.co.uk/parents-information/teachers2parents-school-money/>

Dinner Money/Nursery snack fund – Please would you bring any outstanding payments up-to-date. Please ensure that money is placed in an envelope clearly marked with the pupils name and class and handed to their class teacher, alternatively you can pay through the Tameside website www.tameside.gov.uk school & education > school meals. ***We will not be able to issue a school dinner to any child where there is a debt of more than £20.00. In such cases parents will be expected to provide their child with a packed lunch.***

School fund - for this term will be £6.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School.

Nursery snack fund - for this term will be £21.50 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School; alternatively, you can use the School Money on-line system www.eduspot.co.uk

At end of the school day – please could parents ensure that their children do not play with the games on the junior playground. Thank you.

Year 5 residential trip – please would you bring your payments up-to-date. The next instalment of £40.00 is due on 25th January 2019. Payment by cash and cheque are acceptable or alternatively using the online payment system www.eduspot.co.uk.

Year 3 First Forgiveness and Holy Communion – the Sacramental Programme has begun for Year 3 and their parents. Please see dates below:

Enrolment Mass: Sunday 27th Jan 11:00am – in church (parents and children) shared with St Raphael's

A list of all dates for the programme was given out to parents at the first meeting.

St Peter's PTA Family Quiz Night – Friday 1st February 6:30 until 9:00pm in the school hall. Adults £4.00 including potato pie supper, children £2.00 includes hotdog. Vegetarian option available. There are only 100 tickets so buy your tickets soon as this is always a popular family night out. Flyers were sent home on Monday; please complete the slip along with your payment. Clearly mark the envelope PTA Quiz Night.

We urgently need more parents to volunteer to help organise events throughout the year. Please could you consider giving a small amount of time to keep our great association going. Contact the school office, current PTA members or send me an email if you would like more details.

Lost Property - a pair of Childrens black rimmed glasses have been handed into the school office.

Operation Encompass – this is a scheme that Stalybridge schools have been involved in for the past year to ensure that we can better support any child where a domestic incident has been reported to Police from their home. Tameside have one of the highest rates of domestic abuse in the country.

The definition of domestic abuse is:

“Any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are or have been intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. This can encompass but is not limited to the following types of abuse, psychological, physical, sexual, financial and emotional.”

Following a domestic incident, the Police will inform a nominated member of staff at the school to notify us that an incident has taken place. This will ensure that we are made aware early enough to support children and young people in a way that means they feel safe, supported and listen to.

Each school has a member of staff called the designated Safeguarding lead who is trained to recognise when a child needs support. – in our school that is myself and Mr Gould is Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

The initiative is now being rolled out across all Tameside schools. It is a multi-agency project that includes the Police, local schools and the Council. It has been successfully implemented in other parts of the country and has helped schools and parents to help children deal with the impact that domestic abuse in the home can have on them.

You can find out more about Operation Encompass here:

<http://www.operationencompass.org/>

Diary Dates.

Sunday 27th January - FHC enrolment mass in church (parents and children) 11:00am

Friday 1st February – PTA Quiz night in school 6:30pm

Kind regards

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Headteacher