St Paul's
Church of England Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th July

Headteacher message

I can't believe this is our final newsletter of the academic year! It has been a wonderful year, filled with many achievements and memorable moments. I would like to thank our entire school community—staff, pupils, parents, and carers—for your continued support throughout the year.

It has been another busy week at St Paul's. Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed their Dean's Youth Award trip, celebrating all of their hard work and achievements. On Monday, we also held a water safety assembly for KS2, helping to raise awareness of the dangers around open water. As we head into the summer holidays, please continue to remind your children to stay safe and enjoy the warmer weather responsibly.

This morning, we attended our Year 6 Leavers' Service at St Paul's Church. It was a lovely opportunity to reflect on our pupils' journey through primary school and celebrate all they have accomplished. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for this special occasion.

We are looking forward to our final week of term, which includes our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly for parents and carers, our end-of-year Celebration Service, and, of course, the children's much-anticipated bouncy castles! It promises to be a fantastic way to end another successful year at St Paul's.

As I reflect on the year, I am reminded that it has been one of change, growth, and challenge. Through it all, one thing has remained constant: our commitment to always coming together as a school community to do what is right for our children. I am incredibly proud of everything we have achieved together.

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Jolley, Miss Rawsthorne, Mrs Hoskins and Miss Brady as they move on to pastures new. We thank each of them for their dedication and contribution to St Paul's and wish them every success and happiness in the future.

At the same time, we are excited to welcome several new members of staff to the St Paul's family in September. I know they will be a fantastic addition to our team and will play an important role in continuing to provide the very best for our children.

Finally, thank you to all of our families for your continued support, encouragement and partnership throughout the year. It is greatly appreciated and makes such a difference to our school community.

I wish you all a wonderful, restful and safe summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year at St Paul's.

Mrs Walton

SEND Summer Holiday Groups and Activities

If you are looking for activities and support over the summer holidays, please take a look at the SEND Summer Holiday Groups and Activities page on the mycity Directory. It provides information about a range of groups, activities and services available for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) throughout the summer break.

SEND Summer Holiday Groups and Activities | mycity Directory

Dates for your diary	
20th July	Year 6 leavers assembly for parents
20th July	Y6 Reports out
20th July	Year 6 leavers disco – 5-6:30pm
21st July	Whole school celebration day!
21st July	**School closes at 1:30pm**

September Uniform Reminder

As we prepare for the new academic year, we would like to remind all families that children are expected to return to school in **full school uniform** from September. This includes wearing **school shoes rather than trainers**, unless trainers are required for PE.

If you are experiencing any difficulties in purchasing school uniform, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff in the school office. We are always happy to help and will do our best to support families wherever we can.

A Great Start Begins with Great Attendance

As we begin a new academic year in September, we ask for your support in ensuring that your child attends school every day and arrives on time. Excellent attendance is one of the most important factors in helping children achieve their full potential, build confidence, develop friendships and establish positive routines for learning.

The first few weeks of term are particularly important as children settle into their new classes, get to know their teachers and begin learning new routines. Missing even a few days at the start of the year can make it more difficult for children to catch up.

Thank you for working in partnership with us to give every child the best possible start. We look forward to welcoming all of our pupils back in September, ready for another successful year of

Water safety over the summer

This week, Key Stage 2 pupils took part in a water safety assembly. As we head into the summer holidays, it is important that children understand how to stay safe around water.

Sadly, over the past month there has been an increase in incidents involving children getting into difficulty in open water, with some resulting in tragic loss of life. We would encourage all families to talk to their children about the dangers of swimming in rivers, canals, reservoirs, lakes and other open water, even during hot weather.

Please take a few moments to read the information from Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service using the link below. It contains important advice and guidance to help keep everyone safe around water this summer.

Water safety - Greater Manchester Fire Rescue Service

Year 6 Leavers service at St. Paul's church

A huge thank you to Fr David who lead our service in church this morning.









Terrific timekeepers

Please ensure your child arrives at school on time each morning. Education is important, and all core subjects are taught first thing in the day. Being punctual helps pupils start their learning calmly and confidently.

The class who were all in on time this week were: Year 6

Thank you to all parents who consistently ensure their children are on site for **8:45am**, when classroom doors open. Your support makes a real difference.

Weekly Attendance
Nursery – 86%
Reception – 89%
Year 1 – 91%
Year 2 – 88%
Year 3 – 91%
Year 4 –91 %
Year 5 – 86%
Year 6 – 93%
Green – 96 or above% Yellow – 95% Amber – 91-94% Red below – 90%
The lowest expectation for attendance is 96%

Achievements outside of school…

- Freddie in Y6 achieved top gaol scorer at his new football club – he bagged 17 goals!



Manchester Cathedral

SUMMER PROGRAMME AUGUST 2026

ON THE BEACH
THURSDAY 6TH AUGUST

IN THE CITY
THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST

IN THE FOREST
THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST

IN THE MOUNTAINS
THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST

Join us every Thursday 10.30-11.30 for a short celebration and crafts.

Most suitable for primary school aged children, but all ages welcome.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Free to attend, no booking required

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