ST PAUL'S C.E NEWSLETTER

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CHRISTIAN VALUE

This half term, our Christian value is Compassion.

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Another busy and productive week at St Paul's!
It has been lovely to see so much happening across school, and I am pleased to share some exciting developments as we continue to make improvements to our school environment.
I am delighted to share that the first phase of our building works has now been completed! This has included the creation of a new staff room, additional office space and a wet room. These improvements are an important step in making our school a better environment for everyone. The new spaces will provide improved facilities for our staff, support the day-to-day running of the school and, most importantly, help us to better meet the needs of our children. We will keep you updated as we move towards the next phase of development. There is lots more to look forward to as we continue our journey of making St Paul's an even better place to learn, work and thrive!
On Wednesday, we came together to mark Remembrance Day and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country. We were incredibly fortunate to be joined by a veteran who delivered a special assembly, helping our children to understand the importance of remembrance and the significance of this day. A huge thank you to our visitor for giving up their time to share their experiences with us.
Well done to all of the children who entered our Remembrance Day competition. The entries have been wonderful, and it has been fantastic to see the thought, creativity and respect shown by our pupils. Our competition winners will be revealed later in this newsletter!

Next week is assessment week for children in Years 1–6. These assessments are an important opportunity for us to understand what our children know, what they can do independently and where further support or challenge may be needed. They help teachers to identify progress, celebrate achievements and plan the next steps in learning to ensure every child continues to make progress.
Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time and attends every day. Being present and ready to learn is particularly important during this week so that children can complete their assessments in a calm and familiar environment without missing valuable learning time.

As always, thank you for your continued support. It really does make a difference, and we are grateful to have such a supportive school community around us.

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to another positive week at St Paul's.

Mrs Walton

ATTENDANCE
Nursery – 67%
Reception – 64.6%
Year 1 – 81.8%
Year 2 – 91.8%
Year 3 – 88.4%
Year 4 – 93.8%
Year 5 – 96.9% WINNERS ⭐
Year 6 – 92.5%
Whole school attendance this week: 92%
Class with the lowest number of lates: Year 2

⭐ STARS OF THE WEEK ⭐

These children have stood out as going above & beyond this week:

Nursery – Miyla
Reception – Heibah
Year 1 – Arabella
Year 2 – Roman
Year 3 – Reggie
Year 4 – Kendrick
Year 5 – Ella-Rose
Year 6 - Shanie

⭐ **Spectacular pupil award** ⭐
Halle – Year 4

Parent governors WANTED!

Become a Parent Governor at St Paul's!
We are looking to recruit Parent Governors to join our Local Academy Board (LAB) and play an important role in supporting and shaping the future of St Paul's.
Being a Parent Governor is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to our school community, help ensure the best possible outcomes for our children and have a voice in the strategic direction of the school.
The role involves attending approximately **three Local Academy Board meetings each year**, as well as spending time preparing for meetings by reading relevant reports, policies and school documentation.
Governors play an important role in both **supporting and constructively challenging school leaders**, asking questions, celebrating successes and helping to ensure that the school continues to improve.
You don't need to have previous experience of governance or education. What matters most is a willingness to give your time, ask questions, listen, contribute and act in the best interests of all our children.
If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a Parent Governor, please contact the school office. We would love to hear from you!

Parking Around School – A Kind Reminder

We would like to remind all parents and carers to be considerate and mindful of our neighbours and the wider school community when dropping off and collecting children.
We have received concerns about vehicles blocking residents' driveways, parking on pavements and causing obstructions for pedestrians and other road users.
Please ensure that you:

- Do not block residents' driveways or access to their properties.
- Do not park on pavements, as this can prevent pedestrians, wheelchair users and families with pushchairs from passing safely.
- Park considerately and legally, respecting our local residents.
- Avoid stopping in areas that obstruct visibility or create risks for children crossing the road.
- Allow extra time for drop-off and collection to avoid rushing or parking unsafely.
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We are fortunate to be part of a wider community and it is important that we maintain positive relationships with those who live around our school. The safety of our children, families and local residents must always come first.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us keep everyone safe.

School Uniform Reminder

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the importance of children wearing the correct school uniform. We have noticed that some children are not currently wearing the expected uniform, and we ask for your support in ensuring that children come to school dressed appropriately and in line with our school uniform policy.

We have high expectations at St Paul's and made a real push on ensuring high standards of uniform during the summer term. It is important that we maintain this consistency and continue to promote pride in our school and a sense of belonging for all our pupils.

Where we notice that children are not wearing the correct uniform, we will be contacting families by telephone to better understand the reasons why and discuss any support that may be needed.

We appreciate that families can sometimes face difficulties, and if you need any help or support with school uniform, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are always happy to help.

Thank you for working with us to maintain our high expectations and ensure our children take pride in being part of the St Paul's community. Your support is very much appreciated.








Diary dates- Autumn 2

16th Nov – Assessment week Y1-Y6
16th Nov – Y4 Swimming starts
17th Nov – Y2 Trip to Peel Park
18th Nov - Y6 Parent read together session
23rd Nov – Parents Evening
25th Nov – Y5 Class assembly
27th Nov – Non uniform day EY/KS1 – chocolate & stationary for Fair
4th Dec – Non uniform day KS2 – toiletries & bottles
6th Dec – Audacious Big Sing
8th Dec – Y5 Parent read together session
9th Dec – Y4 Parents stay and read session
9th Dec – Xmas jumper day & Xmas dinner *change of date*
11th Dec – Christmas Fair
15th Dec – EYFS Nativity 2:30pm
17th Dec – Church service 10am
18th Dec – STP Christingle service 2:30pm

📚 Assessment Week – Important Reminder

Next week is assessment week at St Paul's! Please can we ask that all children attend school every day and arrive **on time, ready to learn**, so that they are ready to begin their assessments alongside their classmates.

These assessments are an important opportunity for us to understand how much progress children are making, celebrate what they have learned and identify any areas where they may need further support or challenge.

Having all children in school and ready to start promptly helps us to gain an accurate picture of their learning and progress.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child is in school, on time and ready to do their very best.

Every day matters! ❤️

Remembrance Day

This week, we have been focusing on the importance of Remembrance Day and taking time to remember the courage, service and sacrifices made by members of our Armed Forces.
We were privileged to welcome veteran David Coussons, Councillor Youd and Royal British Legion volunteer Dave Quinn, who led two incredibly moving and informative assemblies for our pupils. Through personal stories, photographs and reflections, the children learned about the sacrifices made by those who have served, particularly individuals from our own Salford community.
We also celebrated the fantastic entries to our Remembrance Day Art and Writing Competition. Our special guests had the difficult task of selecting two winners from each year group.

A huge congratulations to our winners:

- Year 6: Husna and Tillie
- Year 5: Ella Rose and Abhraji
- Year 4: Amaya and Eloise
- Year 3: Felicity and Chase

Our lucky winners have each received tickets to the Salford Playhouse Christmas pantomime on 12th December, kindly provided through the generosity of our local community partners.
A heartfelt thank you to our special guests for sharing their time, experiences and knowledge with us. It was a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn, reflect and understand why remembrance is so important.

We will remember them.





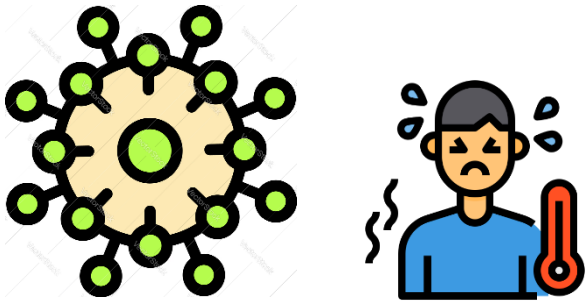



📚 Scholastic Book Fair – Coming to St Paul's!

We are excited to welcome the Scholastic Book Fair to St Paul's next week!
This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to explore a fantastic range of books, discover new authors and find their next favourite story.
We want to continue developing a love of reading across our school and encourage every child to enjoy the magic of books!
Parents and carers will have the opportunity to browse and purchase books with their children **before and after school**. It's a lovely chance to choose a book together and encourage reading at home.
We look forward to welcoming you and seeing which wonderful stories our children discover!

Happy reading, everyone! ❤️ 📖





😷 Children's Health – When Should My Child Stay Off School?

As we enter the colder months, we know this is the time of year when coughs, colds and other seasonal illnesses begin to circulate. We appreciate that it can sometimes be difficult to know whether your child is well enough to attend school.
The NHS has a really helpful online guide which offers advice on common childhood illnesses and explains when children should stay at home and when they can continue attending school.
We would encourage all parents and carers to take a look:
NHS – Is my child too ill for school?
Regular school attendance is incredibly important. Every day in school provides opportunities for learning, social development and building positive relationships. Missing school unnecessarily can affect children's progress and confidence.
Of course, we never expect children to attend school when they are genuinely too unwell. We ask that families use the NHS guidance to help make informed decisions, while also following the school's illness and infection control guidance.
Thank you for helping us keep our children healthy, safe and in school as much as possible throughout the winter

St Paul's CE Primary
Believe and Achieve

Parents' Evening

Monday 23rd November
3:30 – 6:00pm

Arbor

Please log into Arbor to book your appointment with your child's teacher.

Parents' Evening is a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their achievements and talk about any areas where they may need support.

Working together helps every child thrive.

Meet our support professionals

Psychologists, school nurses and other support services will be available.

If you need any advice or support, this is a great opportunity to speak to someone.

Food Samples!

Our fantastic kitchen team will be offering food samples from our school kitchen.

A tasty treat for families!

We look forward to seeing you!

St. Paul's CE Primary

Believe and Achieve



Cooking Workshop

We recently welcomed families into school for a cooking workshop, with a live demonstration on how to cook yummy, low-budget meals for the family.

- Families got to try the foods
- Asked questions
- Took the recipe home
- Took lots of cooking freebies (e.g. pots, pans, toasters and more!)

Weekly Cooking Classes

We are now running weekly cooking classes on

a Wednesday, 2:00–4:00 PM.

Parents will be offered a more **hands-on** approach, get to cook the meal themselves and gain lots of new cooking skills.