

# St. Paulinus Catholic Primary School

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# Friday Post

Headteacher, Mrs. Roxanne d'Arcy

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## Early Maternity Leave

As you are already aware, Miss Hayes, who is Deputy Headteacher, will be taking on the Acting Headteacher role whilst I am on maternity leave. During this period two of our current Senior Leadership Team members, Mrs. Bentley will be Acting Deputy Headteacher and Miss Regan will be Acting Assistant Head for KS1. I know they will be a fantastic support to Miss Hayes and the staff team.

My maternity leave will begin sooner than I had anticipated so my last day with the children was yesterday, Thursday 4th October. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support and good wishes over the last few months. It certainly feels very strange to think that I'll soon not be coming to St Paulinus every day, but I know that the school will be in very safe and capable hands during my leave.

God bless  
Mrs. R. d'Arcy



## The next statement to live by . . .



Please take the opportunity to discuss with your child at home and support them as they learn about ...

**I know what to do if I see someone being hurt**

How do you know they are hurt ?

How would you make them feel better ?

Has anyone hurt you ?

**Attendance Matters** : Our whole school attendance last week (24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> September) was 96%

Please note that children who are late into school, must be brought to the school office by their parents (for their attendance mark), and **NOT** allowed to enter the school grounds on their own. If your child is ill, please notify our reception before 9:30 am.



<b>Class attendance:</b>	Nursery: 89%	Early Years: 96%		
Class 1A: 99%	Class 1R: 96%	Class 2G: 98%	Class 2N: 95%	
Class 3C: 95%	Class 3H: 92%	Class 4B: 96%	Class 4C: 98%	
Class 5J: 99%	Class 5S: 96%	Class 6M: 97%	Class 6W: 97%	



Well done to classes 1A and 5J! They will have an extra playtime OR a special visit from Flopsy and Nibbles (rabbits from our school farm 'Noah's Ark') as a treat for having the highest attendance in their Key Stage this week. Class 1A will also receive 'Attendance Ted' for having the highest attendance in KS1.

## Achievements

Our school is full of amazing children, but this week certificates were awarded to the following children for excellence in a particular area:

### Famous for a Fortnight!

Class 3C: Amaya	Class 3H: Matilda	Class 4B: Summer	Class 4C: Ayaan
Class 5J: Charlie	Class 5S: Grace	Class 6M: Heavenly	Class 6W: Olivia



**Star Reader Awards** - The following KS2 children have shown a very positive attitude towards reading :

Class 3C: Addie	Class 3H: Alfie	Class 4B: Morgan	Class 4C: Alfie
Class 5J: Wojceich	Class 5S: Lola	Class 6M: Hannah	Class 6W: Aman



**Wonderful Writer Awards** - Well done to the following KS2 children for achieving a star writer award!

Class 3C: Lenny	Class 3H: Mikail	Class 4B: Oliver	Class 4C: Nadia
Class 5J: Eli	Class 5S: Ameen	Class 6M: Kayla	Class 6W: Evan



I look forward to reading and seeing your wonderful writing on display!  
Well done to all of our St. Paulinus Superstars - keep up the great work!

Please note that the next Celebration Assembly will be for KS1 on **Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October** at 14:40  
All parents are warmly invited to attend!



## Forthcoming school holiday dates

**October Half Term Holidays** : Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> October - Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018  
**Christmas Holidays** : Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> December - Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019



## The Children's Recreational Fund

As you will be aware, St. Paulinus is a voluntary aided Catholic school (part of the Diocese of Leeds), as such we do not receive funding for the upkeep and development of our school building in the same way as a Kirklees Local Authority School; we pay for our own repairs, maintenance and improvements. We use funding contributed by parents to help us do this. All parents are asked to make a contribution of £19.50 per academic year. All contributions are kept in a separate fund.



We request your support for our Voluntary Contribution Scheme (VCS), which is necessary to raise additional funds for building work.

Thank you to those who have paid your contribution to The Children's Recreational Fund through ParentPay. To say 'thank you' your child will receive a Thank You card next week. If you have still not contributed, you can do this through your ParentPay account by either of the following methods :

1. Online using the ParentPay portal
2. By using a bar-coded letter to pay at your local paypoint (please see a member of the school office for this)

## Sponsored Fun Run - Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October

What a fantastic day the Fancy Dress Fun Run was. Thanks to all the children and staff who dressed up and took part in our annual run.

We would also like to give a huge thank you to all the parents who came to support their children and cheer us all on.

Once again thank you to all the children who have been sponsored and have brought their sponsor money back. This will help us purchase new football posts and updating the secret garden in Key Stage 2.

**\*\* Sponsor money to be handed into the office as soon as possible, no later than Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. \*\***

## Photographs / Videoing of events

Generally photographs of children for school or family use are a source of pleasure and pride. However, we live in an age which has seen rapid changes in the technology of image reproduction. Taking and publishing pictures through a variety of media is now easy and it can be difficult for schools to control images of children.



Not all parents are happy with images of their children being taken and as a school we respect this. We therefore ask that parents and visitors to school **DO NOT take photographs or videos** of children during assemblies, sports days and other events.

As per our 'Home-School Agreement' you may **ONLY** take images of your own child participating in school activities for family and personal use. However we ask that you **DO NOT** place images of children participating in school activities on any public or social media sites.

## Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6 then you need to apply for a high school place between the dates of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018. If you are applying for St. John Fishers you will need to complete a supplementary form :

<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/admissions/apply-secondary-school-place.aspx>

Please return completed forms no later than Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October (when school closes for Autumn half term holidays).

If you have any questions about the above, please contact Mrs. Berry.

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# "SUMS & BUNS"

## Tuesday 16th October

**09:00 - 10:00 am, Workshop**

**10:00 - 10:30 am, Buns & a cuppa**

**A workshop for parents to come into class and sit with their child to learn the mathematical methods used in school.**

If you have small children, they can go into class or be looked after by a member of staff in the Dance Studio

## Dates for your Diary ... What's coming up in October :

Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	St. Paulinus Day Mass (in school - all welcome to attend)	09:30
Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Parents Invite: KS1 Celebration Assembly	14:40 - 15:00
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Year 5 Assembly	14:30 - 15:00
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Parents Invite: Sums & Buns workshop	09:00 - 10:00
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Parents Invite: KS2 Celebration Assembly	14:40 - 15:00
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Class 5J - Mass at Our Lady & St. Paulinus Church	10:00
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Year 1 Assembly	14:30 - 15:00
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Oct.</b>	<b>School Family Mass at Our Lady &amp; St. Paulinus Church</b>	<b>11:15</b>
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Year 4 trip : Eden Camp, Malton	09:00 - 16:30

Upcoming Events

