

# St. Paulinus Catholic Primary School

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# Friday Post

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**Attendance Matters** : Our whole school attendance last week (15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> October) 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: 94%	Early Years: 93%		
Class 1A: 96%	Class 1R: 92%	Class 2G: 99%	Class 2N: 98%	
Class 3C: 98%	Class 3H: 94%	Class 4B: 97%	Class 4C: 91%	
Class 5J: 99%	Class 5S: 99%	Class 6M: 96%	Class 6W: 92%	



Well done to classes 2G, 5J and 5S! 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 2G will also receive 'Attendance Ted' for having the highest attendance in KS1.

Please **NOTE** that the next Celebration Assembly will be for EYU & KS1 on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at 14:40  
All parents are warmly invited to attend!

## 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 ?

### The Children's Recreational Fund

\*\* Thank You to the 14% that have paid \*\*

Thank you to those who have paid your contribution to The Children's Recreational Fund through ParentPay. As you know 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.

If you have still not contributed, you can do this through your ParentPay account. If you would like a bar-coded letter for this contribution, please contact the office.

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



### Operation Shoebox Appeal

It has come to the time of year when we once again ask for your help to fill up shoeboxes. Last year you were all very generous and Miss Regan was able to send 160 shoeboxes full of lovely Christmas presents to needy children in The Philippines. This year the shoeboxes are being sent to children in Eastern Europe. Please be as generous as you can be, and have the shoeboxes in school by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**.

### Offensive Language / Smoking

It is constantly being brought to our attention of the foul and offensive language used by parents / carers in the school playground. Can we ask that you **DO NOT** use any language that you would not expect your child to say.

Also we are a non-smoking site and smoking is **NOT permitted** anywhere on the school grounds, this includes E-Cigs. Please wait until you are clearly outside the school gates.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter and we hope this will not persist.



### British Summer Time Ends

Remember the clocks will be set back one hour at 2:00 am on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October**, meaning you will get one extra hour in bed. Daylight Saving Time will then be at an end, which means that it will be brighter for one hour in the morning and sunset will come one hour earlier in the evening.

**School Photo** - Please note that **Tempest Photographers** will be in school on **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November** to take both class and individual photographs of the children. Unfortunately, there **will not** be the opportunity for family groups to be taken.

**TEMPEST**  
PHOTOGRAPHY



**Flu Nasal Spray** - The flu immunisation will be administered by the Locala Nurses to children in Reception and Years 1 - 5 on **Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November** during the morning.



**Melody Tots**

Early Years - **Red group** parents are invited to stay from 9:00 - 9:30 am for Melody Tots from Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November until 19<sup>th</sup> December.

**History of Remembrance Day Poppies**

During the First World War (1914 - 1918) much of the fighting took place in Western Europe. Previously beautiful countryside was blasted, bombed and fought over, again and again. The landscape swiftly turned to fields of mud: bleak and barren scenes where little or nothing could grow.

Bright red Flanders poppies (Papaver rhoeas) however, were delicate but resilient flowers and grew in their thousands, flourishing even in the middle of chaos and destruction. In early May 1915, shortly after losing a friend in Ypres, a Canadian doctor, Lt. Col. John M<sup>c</sup>Crae was inspired by the sight of poppies to write a now famous poem called 'In Flanders Fields'.

M<sup>c</sup>Crae's poem inspired an American academic, Moina Michael, to make and sell red silk poppies which were brought to England by a French woman, Anna Guérin. The (Royal) British Legion, formed in 1921, ordered 9 million of these poppies and sold them on 11 November that year. The poppies sold out almost immediately and that first ever 'Poppy Appeal' raised over £106,000; a considerable amount of money at the time. This was used to help WW1 veterans with employment and housing.

The following year, Major George Howson set up the [Poppy Factory](#) to employ disabled ex-Servicemen. Today, the factory and the Legion's warehouse in Aylesford produces millions of poppies each year.

From **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November** their will be poppies and wrist snap-bands for sale in school.

Please send your child to school with a donation so that they can purchase a poppy or £ 1.00 to purchase a wrist snap-band.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

John M<sup>c</sup>Crae (1872 - 1918)



**Dates for your Diary ... What's coming up in October / November:**

<b>Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>	<b>School breaks up for Autumn half term holidays</b>		
<b>Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>	FofSP * <b>EYFS &amp; KSI Halloween Disco @ Parochial Hall</b>		<b>18:00 - 20:00</b>
<b>Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	<b>School re-opens, first day of new half term</b>		
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Tempest school photos		(am)
<b>Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	<b>Year 4 Remembrance Service in Dewsbury</b>		<b>10:15 - 14:00</b>
Thursday, 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Parents Invite: EYU & KS1 Celebration Assembly		14:40 - 15:00
Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Flu Nasal Spray (Locala Nurses to administer) EY, Yrs 1-5		09:00 - 11:30
Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Class 3H Mass @ Our Lady & St. Paulinus Church		10:00
Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Year 4 Assembly		14:30 - 15:00
Tues. 13 <sup>th</sup> - Wed. 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Parents Consultations		15:30 - 17:30



**REMINDER - Autumn Half Term Holidays**

Please remember that autumn half term is from **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018**. School therefore closes at the usual time on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October and re-opens on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

**KIDS CLUB :**

**07:30 - 17:30**

As the October holidays are approaching, we would like to take this opportunity to inform you of their plans for the week off. They will be open from 07:30 - 17:30 (as per usual) and the daily fee will be £28.00 per child. Please book in your children A.S.A.P. if you require our services! Breakfast and teatime snack will be provided but please can you provide your child/ren with a packed lunch. Also, please ensure you take note of the plans on the day your child/ren will be attending in case they need anything extra. Please be aware that if you do book your child into our care and your child does not attend, you will still be charged the full total for your child's place due to limited places and staff ratio planning. For more information please visit our Facebook page or call in and see us!

 @stpaulinuskidsclub

<u>Day</u>	<u>Plan</u>	<u>What they will need</u>
Mon. 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Halloween baking & crafts	N/A
Tues. 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Trip : Krazy Kingdom	£ 6.00 per child
Wed. 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct.	Halloween Fancy Dress Party	Halloween costumes
Thurs. 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov.	Picnic in the Park	£ 1.00 for ice-cream
Fri. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	Spooky movie & PJ party	PJ's (children may also bring a DVD)

