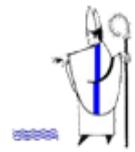




St. Paulinus Catholic Primary School

"Inspiring all to live, learn and love in the light of Jesus." (I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." cf John 8:12)



ST PAULINUS 'WEEKLY NEWS'

Autumn Term, Week 1

6th November 2020

Our Virtue to live by for next week is: Hope

I trust that God's love has no end and that He is at work in my life and in the world.



A welcome from Miss Hayes

Welcome back everyone, whether it is in the classroom or through online learning, we are glad to see you back at school. I can't believe we are in Autumn B already! What a term we had in Autumn A, from the chaos of fighting to get barriers outside to keep our families safe and the implementation of all the COVID guidance to welcoming back our wonderful families and pupils – Autumn A was certainly full of ups and downs for us all. Throughout it all though, the children kept us going. They have adapted so well to all things that have changed in school and I am pleased to report that pupil voice has shown that pupils feel safe and happy at school. Nurture support continues to go from strength to strength and is in place for pupils who are struggling with their mental health in these uncertain times – if you know your child needs something extra, please drop an email to your class teacher in the year group emails or to nurture@stpaulinus.org and someone will get back to you to discuss your needs.

I hope that you are all doing well under the new lockdown guidelines and that all of our community is keeping in good health. Together, we can slow the spread of this virus so that school can continue to be a safe place to attend for all. Last term we experienced our first need to close bubbles, I am sure that this will not be the last time but if we all do what we need to hopefully it will be a rare incident rather than one that happens often. Remember, if any member of your household is experiencing any symptoms or is having a test, do not send your child to school, just give us a ring and we will advise you on what you need to do.

I have decided to reinstate our weekly newsletter as there are so many wonderful things happening in school and I wanted to share them with you all. If you would prefer a paper copy of this newsletter, please contact the office to request that you are added to the 'paper copy' list.

Finally, I'd just like to say that it has been a joy to see pupils getting back into the flow of being in class and learning, and although there have been some trips and stumbles along the way, the children are now settled into that learning journey and beginning to make good progress. As always, I am very proud of them - they are absolute superstars and very much the reason why we all do this job – they are a credit to the school!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone and we will see you next week!

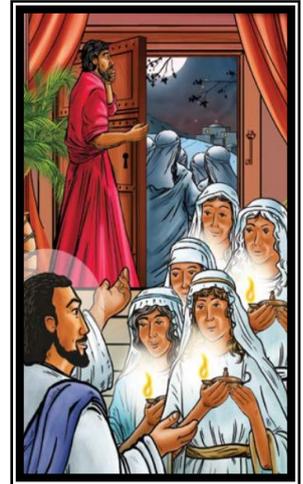
'An outstanding school, which is deeply committed to the Catholic mission... this school inspires all within this faith community to live life to the full.' ofsted 2017

The Wedding Feast

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Wisdom is a gift from God which helps us to see things more clearly and make the right choices in life. In this Sunday's Gospel, five bridesmaids were sensible and wise. The other five were foolish – they were unprepared. The wise bridesmaids' brightly lit lamps – filled with oil – can remind us of the light the bridesmaids brought into the world through their faith and good works. The bridegroom represents Jesus and the wedding feast represents the kingdom of heaven.

Because of their wisdom, the five sensible bridesmaids prepared well for the wedding and experienced all the joys of the wedding feast, that is, the joys of the kingdom of heaven. Enjoy a very special time together this evening, listening to your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is WISDOM.



“Wisdom is kind and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good.”

St James

Google Classroom

Reminder - homework is now set on Google Classroom, please log in on any device!

Thank you to all our families who are now up and running, fully using Google classroom. If your child is isolating, please use Google classroom to access the learning your child is missing in school. The work set in the file called: 'Remote learning - Week beginning' is only for those children who are **isolating**, as it is the work being completed in class.

A work book has been sent home yesterday, please use this book to record work, if your child is isolating. If you are having trouble accessing the classroom, please email:

remotelearning@stpaulinus.org

Contacting class teachers

If you would like to contact your child's teacher, you can email class teachers on:

nursery@stpaulinus.org
reception@stpaulinus.org
year1@stpaulinus.org
year2@stpaulinus.org
Year3@stpaulinus.org
Year4@stpaulinus.org
Year5@stpaulinus.org
Year6@stpaulinus.org

Staffing news!

Welcome addition to the Paulinus family :

We'd like to invite our whole school community to congratulate Miss Naylor on the arrival of her son, Enzo.



w e l c o m e to the team ...

- Miss McInnes and Mrs Moran join our Key Stage one team supporting children in class.
- Mrs Crossland, Mrs Hart & Miss Brier join our lunchtime supervisor team.
- In September, Miss Thompson joined us as a Year 5 teacher. She brings with her creativity and a passion for helping children learn new things.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Oakley who is also joining our School Nurture team, as a Nurture Key Worker.

Harvest festival celebration

A huge thank you to all the St Paulinus community for providing all your donations, which will be passed onto Fusion Foodbank in Dewsbury - the staff at our school have been supporting this foodbank throughout the pandemic.

St. Paulinus School
Harvest Festival.



Thank you for all your donations- they are now safely stored until I can take them to the foodbank next week.

Toileting / Bathroom Breaks

Since returning to school and transitioning from being at home all the time and coming back to a more structured routine the children have taken a while to settle into a few things, one of these is toileting. Unlike other schools that insist on their children waiting til break times, we took the stance that if a child needed the toilet they could go to the toilet at any time which meant that we did have a high volume of pupils using the toilets in the first instance. There may be a few occasions where children needed to wait a couple of minutes for a classmate to return but this is in place to ensure that all safeguarding procedures are met and that bubbles are not crossing. If a child is desperate, that child has been allowed to go straight away. As the term has gone, far fewer children are asking to go to the toilet and are remembering to go during break times when the toilets are freely open to go at any time. The staff in the younger year groups also spend a lot of time reminding the children to go to the toilet at break times before they go out to play or when they come back in.

We ask that all parents remind their children to ask to go to the toilet if they need it as the answer will always be yes (but they may be asked to wait a couple of minutes if they can). Some children are waiting for long periods of time as they are worried about asking the teacher or they are too involved in their game they are playing so don't want to go. Every year we have some of our younger pupils in KS1 and EYFS who may have little accidents, and as a school, we have bought uniform for our younger children so that they can get changed and not feel different or stand out. Please talk to your child and remind them to tell someone if they have had an accident. We know it can be embarrassing for some children, but they need to tell us because sitting in wet clothes all day is not hygienic. You are also welcome to send your child in with their own change of uniform just in case they don't want to use the one at school. This policy has been in place for the last 10+ years so all the staff are well versed in implementing it and monitoring has shown that it is implemented well.

In KS2, some children have been using needing the toilet as an excuse to get out of lessons, I must admit - I am sure I did this myself on occasions! However the rule is still the same - the answer will always be yes (although they may have to wait for their class mate to return for safeguarding reasons) the children are allowed to go to the toilet at any time but it might be that the class has a rule that if you go to the toilet during lessons you just need to catch up on that missed learning at break time - this is only ever a minute or 2 at the most and not always enforced by the teacher as it is dependent on the situation. This is a fair compromise that means that children who genuinely need the toilet can go. Please talk to your child so that they understand that they are not being punished by going to the toilet in lesson time, it is just so that they do not miss that vital learning time that is in place to help us all catch up.

Lastly, if your child has a medical need and needs to be reminded to go to the toilet more frequently - please ensure you email their year group email address so that the teacher knows and can put things in place.



Congratulations to all our Key Stage 2 super stars!



Celebration Certificates Excellence Endeavour Service to School

- ★ 3B Isabella G
- ★ 3C Fatima P
- ★ 4JS Joey S
- ★ 4NS Kaydee L

- ★ 5J Isla D
- ★ 5T Koby
- ★ 6C Harry B
- ★ 6H Lacey D



Star readers

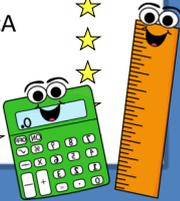
- ★ 3B Elijah K
- ★ 3C Jake S
- ★ 4JS Zuha A
- ★ 4NS Kuba R
- ★ 5J Francis M
- ★ 5T Luca P
- ★ 6C Esther W
- ★ 6H Nadia S

Wonderful Writers

- ★ 3B Safer S
- ★ 3C Eli A
- ★ 4JS Kacper S
- ★ 4NS Jorgie Y
- ★ 5J Junior J
- ★ 5T Cadey P
- ★ 6C Yameena K
- ★ 6H Oliver S

Maths Marvels

- ★ 3B Riley L
- ★ 3C Emilie A
- ★ 4JS Oliver B
- ★ 4NS Brooklyn W
- ★ 5J Isla D
- ★ 5T Lenny McA
- ★ 6C Ethan P
- ★ 6H Emilia W



| Dates For Your Diary | |
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| Years 3 & 4 Parents Evening | Monday 9th November |
| Early Years Parents Evening | Tuesday 10th November |
| Years 1 & 2 Parents Evening | Wednesday 11th November |
| Remembrance Day | Wednesday 11th November |
| Years 5 & 6 Parents Evening | Thursday 12th November |
| Media consent forms due back into school | Friday 13th November |
| Anti bullying Week | Monday 16th November |
| Road Safety Week | Monday 16th November |
| Flu Nasal Spray | Wednesday 18th November |

| School Calendar 2020/2021 | |
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| Term 1 | |
| Start | Tues 8 Sept. 2020 |
| Half Term | Fri 23 Oct. - Fri 30 Oct. 2020 |
| Restart | Mon 2 Nov. 2020 |
| End of Term | Fri 19 Dec. 2020 |
| Term 2 | |
| Start | Tues 5 Jan. 2021 |
| Half Term | Mon 15 Feb. - Fri 19 Feb. 2021 |
| Restart | Mon 22 Feb. 2021 |
| End of Term | Fri 26 Mar. 2021 |
| Term 3 | |
| Start | Mon 12 Apr. 2021 |
| Half Term | Mon 31 May - Mon 7 Jun. 2021 |
| Restart | Tues 8 Jun. 2021 |
| End of Term | Fri 23 Jul. 2021 |
| Occasional Days | |
| INSET Day | Mon 7 Sept. 2020 |
| INSET Day | Fri 23 Oct. 2020 |
| INSET Day | Mon 4 Jan. 2021 |
| Bank Holiday | Mon 3 May 2021 |
| INSET Day | Mon 7 Jun. 2021 |
| INSET Day | Mon 26 Jul. 2021 |

Paulinus Pings

Daniel@Paulinus I'm happy being back in school, it feels good to be back.

Annabel@Paulinus I love playing outside, we have loads to do and have our own toy box to play with.

Harriet@Paulinus I feel safe at school. My teachers looks after me and they keep us happy.

George@Paulinus I love eating my dinner in the hall, the chairs are colourful and there is so much space!

Safeguarding

If you ever feel any child is at risk, please contact our Child Protection

Officers:

Miss Hayes, Mrs Davies,
Miss Duarte, Mr Hutton,
Mrs Bentley, Miss Regan,
Mrs Cooper, Mrs Watt,
Mr Regan

or ring Duty and Advice
on 01484 456848,

in confidence. Thank you.

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If you have any concerns regarding your safety or anyone else's safety, please talk to :

Safeguarding Leads

Stephie Hayes
Headteacher

Sharon Davies
Learning Mentor

Deputy Safeguarding Leads

Grace Duarte
Deputy Head & PFI Lead

Carla Sharkey
Assistant Head PFI (Mentally Aware)

Helen Regan
EYF Lead

David Hutton
Assistant Head PFI & PFI Lead (Yrs 5-6)

Safeguarding Governor

Joanne Cooper
SENCO & LK32 Lead (Yrs 3-4)

Tom Regan
Senior Business Support Officer

Christine Watt
Senior Business Support Officer

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