



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'

Spring Term 2, Week 6

Thurs. 11th February 2021

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is: **Simplicity**
I know what really matters in life.

Half term at last! It has been a very strange half term being in a lockdown and only having a few children in school but I have been so impressed with all the children and parents that have kept up to their home learning even in these tricky times! It really is a testament to you all and you are all superheroes in our eyes!

It is my great pleasure to share with you our staffing news that can be found in this newsletter! I won't give it away until you read it but we are all very excited and happy for them! The staff have worked extremely hard in unfamiliar ways this term, I'd like you all to join me in saying a huge thank you to them and all that they have done - like you they cannot wait to get back to normal and we have great hopes that the Government will allow us to reopen in March - fingers crossed everyone!

All in all, staff, pupils and parents have definitely earned this half term holiday. Have a wonderful week off and we look forward to seeing you all again (whether remotely or in person) on **Monday 22nd February**, and just think there might only be 10 days of home learning left.

Happy holidays,
Miss Hayes



Staffing Update

Today marks a very special day for Mrs. Irving (class teacher in 2I) as her last day of working full time in school. Mrs. Irving has decided to reduce the number of days she works in school to 2 days a week as she takes early retirement in order to spend more time with her family. She is looking forward to seeing her granddaughter and spending more time with her husband, but she didn't want to leave us completely and we are so happy that she chose to stay with us for 2 days a week! We will still see Mrs. Irving after half term but we do wish her good luck and happiness in her new work / life balance! Congratulations Mrs. Irving!



Tuesday 23rd February sees Mrs. Bentley (KS1 Assistant Head) returning to school after her maternity leave! She will be coming back to us for 4 days a week so that she can still spend some time with her gorgeous little boy while he is young. Mrs. Bentley will be working in class 2I on the days that Mrs. Irving isn't in. So after half term, this class will become class 21B. They are super lucky as both Mrs. Irving and Mrs. Bentley are exceptional teachers so they are going to have an excellent year! Welcome back Mrs. Bentley!

Lastly, we would like you to join us in saying a huge congratulations to Mrs. Clayton (Reception teacher) who is expecting her first child in June!!! We are all very excited that we will have a new little member of the St. Paulinus family before the year is done! With everything going on in the world, this is excellent news! Mrs. Clayton won't be starting her maternity leave just yet, but we will all be working hard to look after her until her bundle of joy arrives! Congratulations Mrs. Clayton and family!



REMINDER Please note the following change to the term dates: **Friday 12th February INSET DAY** (no children in school) followed by half term. This day has been swapped with **Monday 7th June** - which will now be a normal day for the children to come into school.

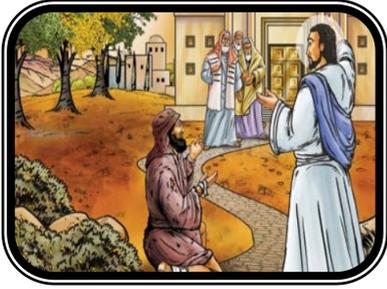
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The 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time



“The compassion of God, his suffering-with-us, gives meaning to our struggles and our sufferings.”

Pope Francis

SHARING SUNDAY’S GOSPEL

One day a man who had leprosy came to Jesus because he wanted to be healed. The man knelt in front of Jesus and said, “If you want to, you can heal my leprosy.” Jesus was filled with compassion and said, “Of course I want to.” Then Jesus reached out to touch him and said, “Be healed!” At once the man’s leprosy disappeared and he was healed. Before sending the man on his way Jesus said firmly, “Don’t tell anyone about this. Just go and show yourself to the priest, and take an offering to the Temple as commanded by Moses, and everyone will know that you have been healed.” But, instead, the man went and told everyone what had happened. This meant that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay out in the country. Even so, people would still come to him from everywhere around. Now enjoy exploring this Wednesday’s word, which is **COMPASSION**.

History at St Paulinus

At St Paulinus, History is taught as a stand-alone subject as well as cross curricular through other subjects such as English and Art. History fires the children’s curiosity about the past in Britain and the wider world and plays an essential part in preparing us for living and working in the contemporary world.

From Early Years pupils, consider how the past influences the present, moving up through school they begin to learn what past societies were like, how these societies organised their politics, and what beliefs and cultures influenced people’s actions. As they do this, children develop a chronological framework for their knowledge of significant events and people. In History, children find evidence, weigh it up and reach their own conclusions. They need to be able to research, sift through evidence, and argue for their point of view.

You can help your child by encouraging them to ask questions about the past and then get them to try to find their own evidence to answer their own questions. During normal times, visits to museums can bring History alive and libraries can be useful for fact finding. Websites can be useful but we always need to be mindful of the content and suitability. The BBC is a reliable source with lots of information on different subjects. You could even search Horrible Histories on BBC IPlayer which is also worth a look.



Virtual Athletics Competition

This is Harry from Year 4 who won a 3rd place medal for the virtual athletics competition in the Autumn term, which was a School Games competition which ran across all the Kirklees schools who opted to take part.



Medals were also received by the following children :

Year 1: Taylor 1st, Lena 2nd, Jenson 3rd

Year 4: Lukasz 1st, Kacper 1st, Filip 2nd, Harry 3rd

3 Little Pigs

In Nursery this week, we made the 3 little pigs houses, paper plate pigs and the big bad wolf, a big bad wolf bun and using the magnetic polygons we made the pigs some new houses.



School Calendar

2020/2021



Term 1 - Autumn

Start	Tues 8 Sept. 2020
Half Term	Fri 23 Oct. - Fri 30 Oct. 2020
Restart	Mon 2 Nov. 2020
End of Term	Fri 18 Dec. 2020

Term 2 - Spring

Start	Tues 5 Jan. 2021
Half Term	Fri 12 Feb. - Fri 19 Feb. 2021
Restart	Mon 22 Feb. 2021
End of Term	Fri 26 Mar. 2021

Term 3 - Summer

Start	Mon 12 Apr. 2021
Half Term	Mon 31 May - Fri 4 Jun. 2021
Restart	Mon 7 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
INSET Day	Fri 12 Feb. 2021
Bank Holiday	Mon 3 May 2021
INSET Day	Mon 26 Jul. 2021

Dates For Your Diary

Inset Day - School closed Friday 12 February

Spring Half Term Holiday Friday 12 - Friday 19 February

Shrove Tuesday Tuesday 16 February

Ash Wednesday Wednesday 17 February

School re-opens Monday 22 February
(Key Workers & Vulnerable Children)

WORLD BOOK DAY Thursday 4 March
Non-Uniform Day

Mother's Day Sunday 14 March

Paulinus Pings

Daisy@Paulinus : "I like building towers with the counters with my friends."

Fabian@Paulinus : "I made a house of straw for the little pig."

Adam@Paulinus : "I like playing in the castle."

Natan@Paulinus : "I like playing in the snow and having a snowball fight."

Paulinus Parent Pings

Parent@Paulinus : Well done teachers! You are doing amazing! Thank you for making this hard time a little easier.

Parent@Paulinus : Interacting with the children and parents, whether via video call, email or phone calls has been really helpful.

Parent@Paulinus : The online chat on a morning is fab!

Parent@Paulinus : I feel all teachers are doing a fab job! They come back quickly with any answers. And are there if help is needed. I love the video calls and my child loves to see everyone on video and also see all her comments from her teachers about her work.

Kirklees RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

Crow Nest Adventure Playground's...

Fairy Tale Trail!

Can you solve the fairy tale riddles to complete the trail and help build the fairy house? Scan the QR codes to tell us your enchanted answers. Join in with the Random Acts of Kindness on the route around

Location: Crow Nest Park, Dewsbury WF13 2SG

Starting point: Crow Nest Adventure Playground gates

Dates: Sunday 14 February 9am - Saturday 27 February 2pm

Good luck and have fun! Love, The Play Team x