



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 1, Week 1

7th January 2022

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:
Epiphany

I will start by saying that I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday and a fabulous new year! I know a lot of our families and their friends are experiencing illness at this moment, but the children have come back to school full of joy over the exciting holidays they have had and have eagerly got their heads straight back into their learning!

As you know from watching the news, COVID cases are on the rise following all the mixing over Christmas. At school, we have temporarily re-introduced things to keep our class bubbles separate in order to slow the spread of any viruses in school and we continue to implement the guidance of hands, face, space and ventilation. We are following all the guidance given to us by the Government and putting in some further measures to protect the staff and children, whilst still following our directive to prioritise face to face education.

Face coverings are recommended for all adults in crowded spaces and I have received a few requests from parents to ask if school would ask all parents to wear a face covering when picking their child up; we don't want to go back to staggered home times or one way systems and indeed that is not the current advice to do so, but many people would feel much safer if we all could wear a face covering when passing each other on the paths. So please wear a face covering whilst on school grounds, if you are able to. I also remind you that it is parental choice if they wish their child to wear a face covering in the classroom, if you do choose to send your child into school with a face covering, please ensure they know how to take it off and put it on safely. Please also be aware that if the child does not want to wear their face covering, they will not be asked to do so by a member of staff.

Lastly, I remind all parents that if your child shows any signs of COVID, they must not come to school and they must get a test. Current advice says that, if anyone (including all children aged 5 years or over) has been in close contact with a positive case it is advised that they do a daily lateral flow test every day for 7 days before they leave the house in the morning, to ensure they do not spread the virus in school or in public. School expects parents to follow this advice in order to keep all the other children and adults safe so that school can remain open. Unvaccinated adults should isolate for 10 days if they have been close contacts.

I hope you all remain safe and healthy and that we soon see the end of this pandemic and the spread of the virus! Have a wonderful and safe weekend everyone and I will see you all on Monday!

Miss Hayes

Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance overall is %

Attending school on time and every day is such an important part of your child's learning process.

This week's class attendance:

EYJ : 100% / EYR : 93%



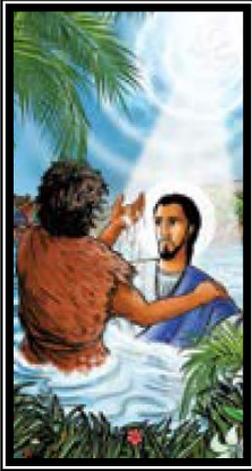
Class 1B: 95%	Class 1T: 93%	Class 2C: 97%	Class 2IB: 96%
Class 3N: 89%	Class 3W: 100%	Class 4G: 96%	Class 4T: 98%
Class 5S: 95%	Class 5SC: 94%	Class 6C: 97%	Class 6H: 92%

The winners of KS1 and KS2 are EYJ & 3W, they will receive extra playtime for their attendance.



'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

26th Sunday of Ordinary time



Filled with excitement, the people were wondering if John the Baptist might be the Christ, so John said to them, "I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am and he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit." Then, after the people had been baptised by John, Jesus himself was baptised. While Jesus was praying the sky opened and the Holy Spirit came down on him like a dove. And a voice from heaven said, "You are my beloved Son, and with you I am very pleased."

"Faith is a gift which we receive in Baptism and which allows us to encounter God."

Pope Francis

Church Mass Times

Saturday 8 January, 18:00 St. Joseph's
 Sunday 9 January, 09:15 St. Joseph's
 Sunday 9 January, 10:45 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

No need to book to come to church. All welcome.
 Please note NO Mass on Friday at St. Paulinus

PE Days this half term (Spring)

- Nursery : Tuesdays
- Reception : Tuesdays
- Year 1 : Tuesday & Thursdays
- Year 2 : Tuesday & Wednesdays
- Year 3 : Thursdays & Fridays
- Year 4 : Monday & Wednesdays
- Year 5 : Thursdays & Fridays
- Year 6 : Thursdays & Thursdays



Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit, which comprises of : School logo white t-shirt / Jogging bottoms & jogging top or school Hoodie. They will also need a pair of trainers.

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2021



THANK YOU

YOUR POPPY SUPPORTS THE ARMED FORCES
 COMMUNITY PAST AND PRESENT

Thank you for supporting The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Together we raised:
 £ **527.48**

To find out more about how your donation helps,
 visit rbl.org.uk

Registered charity number: 219279

Congratulations to all our Early Years and Key Stage 1 super stars!

Celebration Certificates

Excellence

EYJ Minihil A
 EYR Reggie R

Endeavour

1B Connor W
 1T Sumayyah R

2C Uqba S
 2IB Chloe S

Service to School

Star Readers

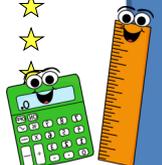
EYJ Khadijah A
 EYR Harvey B
 1B Adam S
 1T Natan B
 2C Leo W-D
 2IB Theo G

Wonderful Writers

EYJ Nancy H
 EYR Jeremiah N
 1B Lamisah P
 1T Shaakirah P
 2C Ayla K
 2IB Tommy D

Maths Marvels

EYJ Aria B
 EYR Mihrab
 1B Crystal F
 1T Armaan A
 2C Dontae D
 2IB Reggie McA



Early Years

In EYU this week we have been busy making hats! First we designed hats to keep us warm in Winter by using wax to draw a pattern and then going over it with paint!



Then to celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany when the 3 Kings followed the star to visit baby Jesus we decorated crowns in bright jewels. We then proudly wore our crowns home.



Year 1

This week we have been having great fun using the dance mats. Over the next few weeks we are going to keep persevering with this to move onto some harder songs.

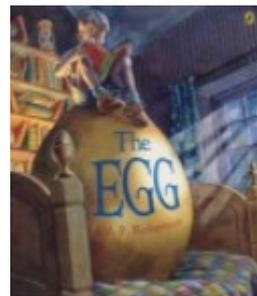


In computing we have a new topic called Lego Builders. We have been working with partners and learning the importance of clear and concise step-by-step instructions.

In our Epiphany worship we used our wooden nativity scene to emphasise the 8 week long journey the Three Wise Men took following the star to Bethlehem. We thank God that he showed them the way so they could kneel down before Jesus Christ our Lord.



Year 2



This week in English we have started a new class text: "The Egg". The children were really excited to predict what was going to hatch out of the golden egg.

In PE we were lucky enough to use the dance mats. The children had lots of fun trying to follow the steps to different songs.



We also started our new topic in Science: "Living Things and Their Habitats". This week we looked at objects which were living and ones which were not. We learnt about MRS GREN which helped us to decide if something was living.

Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 13 & Friday 14
January

Year 1 Balance Bike
Sessions

Saturday 15 January Admissions Deadline

Monday 21 - Friday 25
February Spring Half Term Holidays

Monday 28 February School re-opens

Y5 Swimming

From Friday 18 February to the end of the year, Year 5 will have the opportunity to attend swimming sessions as part of our P.E. curriculum. If your child is in Year 5 please ensure you have seen the paper letter / email that has come home with further details about timings, how your child will get to the swimming centre and what they need to wear and bring to school.

Y5 Bike ability

There are a limited number of places (30) for bike ability training for Year 5 to learn their cycling proficiency and road safety. Please look out for a letter coming home today which has a consent form to return asap! Places are offered on a first come basis. If your child does not know how to ride a bike we have been given additional places as a one off (thanks to additional Government funding into children's cycle proficiency).

Admissions Deadline

The Admissions deadline for next September is :

15 January 2022

Apply via the Kirklees website and complete our SIF form, which can be found on our website.

Any questions please contact the School's Business Manager.

School Calendar 2021/2022



Term 1

Start	Tues 7 Sept. 2021
Half Term	Fri 22 Oct. - Fri 29 Oct. 2021
Restart	Mon 1 Nov. 2021
End of Term	Fri 17 Dec. 2021

Term 2

Start	Tues 4 Jan. 2022
Half Term	Mon 21 Feb. - Fri 25 Feb. 2022
Restart	Mon 28 Feb. 2022
End of Term	Fri 8 April 2022

Term 3

Start	Mon 25 April 2022
Half Term	Mon 30 May - Fri 3 June 2022
Restart	Weds. 8 June 2022
End of Term	Fri 22 July 2022

Occasional Days - School closed

INSET Day	Mon 6 Sept. 2021
INSET Day	Fri 22 Oct. 2021
Bank Holiday	Mon 3 Jan. 2022
Queen's platinum anniversary day (70 years of service)	Mon 6 June 2022
INSET Day	Tuesday 7 June 2022
INSET Day	Mon 25 & 26 July 2022



All medicine(s) should be taken to the School Office by an adult.

Please **DO NOT** send any medicine in with your child.

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.