



St. Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy

"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'

Summer Term 2, Week 9

1st July 2022

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:
Service

I don't know about you but the weeks seem to be flying by in school as we are racing towards the end of term! With health week, sports days and all the normal end of year celebrations coming up, the children and staff are getting ready for some fun-filled final weeks ahead.

Next week, on Tuesday 5 July, it is our in school transition day! On this day children will come to school in their school uniform and they will come to their normal classroom and meet their normal teacher in the morning. They then will be taken to their new classroom to meet their new teachers at 9am ish. They get to spend all day with their new teachers and at the end of the day they will return to their normal class so they can tell their current teacher all about their day. This also means that parents will get to pick their child up from their normal place. Transition day is very important in school because it means that your child has met their new teachers and new surroundings before September, which means they can come back to school with more confidence after the long summer break. It is one of our most favourite days in school!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone, and see you all on Monday!

Miss Hayes

KS2 Giant Sleepover

Last Friday (24 June) we had our first Giant Sleepover since the pandemic. 125 pupils spent the night and enjoyed activities: penalty shoot-outs / football skills, sheet craft graffiti, street dancing, scary stories, movies, along with sitting around a campfire singing songs / disco before lights out..



Attendance Every Day is important!

St Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy is committed to the continuous raising of achievement of all our pupils. Regular attendance is critical if our pupils are to be successful and benefit from the opportunities presented to them. Attendance and punctuality are important to allow children to achieve their full potential during their time at school.

As a school we consider attendance to be extremely important and would like the continued support of our parents in ensuring their child attends school regularly and on time. We have a zero tolerance policy on parents taking their children out of school to go on holiday. Kirklees Council will issue penalty notices or it may lead to fast track prosecution at the magistrate's court, if you are convicted, you could be fined up to £1000 and you will get a criminal record, this is regardless of your child's attendance percentage.



'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

Staff Updates

As we head towards the end of the year, it is time to say goodbye to some staff and to welcome some new staff to the St Paulinus family.



Staff members leaving:

- At the end of this year, Miss Carr (Year 2 teacher) will be leaving us to return to the school she trained in, just up the road! She is very excited even though we are very sad to see her go, but I am pleased that she will still be working close by! Good luck Miss Carr, we have loved having you teach at St. Paulinus and we hope you will come back and visit us from time to time!
- We also say goodbye to Mr. Cameron! Mr. Cameron (Year 6 teacher) has successfully gained the next step in his career and is going to be a phase leader in a school in Leeds!! Well done Mr. Cameron, we knew you could do it and we know that you will continue to go from strength to strength in your new role - perhaps we will hear of you as a Deputy Head next or even Headteacher! Congratulations, you deserve it after all your hard work.
- We also say a fond farewell to Mrs. Hibbert (Year 5 ETA) who after many years of dedicated service to the children, staff and families of St. Paulinus has decided to retire. We will miss her very much. Even though I know Mrs. Hibbert is a little sad to be leaving, I also know that she is very excited to be able to spend more time with her family and her grandchildren and I am sure she will also go on lots of adventures! Mrs. Hibbert you are always welcome back in St. Paulinus, please come and see us and let us know how you are getting on!
- And lastly, we bid farewell to Mrs. Gibbons (Deputy Head and SENDCo)! Although Mrs. Gibbons has only been with us for a short amount of time, she has been a Deputy Head for a number of years and I am excited to announce that she has successfully secured her first headship and will be leaving us to start a brand new adventure in September in her new school! I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mrs. Gibbons good luck in the future as she takes this next step in her career. We will miss her very much in school, but I am sure we will still keep in touch! Congratulations Mrs. Gibbons!

As you can see, we have a few people leaving - but we also have a few people coming to join us!

Please join me in welcoming to the St. Paulinus Team:

- Mrs. Rhodes (Class Teacher)
- Miss Hall (Class Teacher)



I am sure they will all love being part of the St. Paulinus family, as much as we do and I hope they are very happy here.

For those of you wondering who will be our deputy head and SENDCo in September, we are working with the Trust to arrange for someone to join us but I cannot tell you about them just yet as it is not finalised! As soon as I can, I will let you all know - but rest assured there will be a strong handover between Mrs. Gibbons and our new member of staff so that our strong SEND and Deputy Head provision will continue right from day 1.

Congratulations to all our staff whether coming or going!

Summer Fair - Reminder



Next **Friday, 8 July, from 13:30 - 16:00**, we will be hosting our Annual Summer Fair in which everyone is invited to come and enjoy a fun day at the school.

If you are able to attend, you will be able to collect & sign the register to sign your child out from their normal end of day pick up point at 13:30 and then for those children in Reception and KS1, you can then walk round to the KS2 playground & field areas where all the activities and stalls will be held.

Most activities and stalls will be selling items for £1 - £2, so don't forget to bring lots of change!

PLEASE DONATE - If you have anything you wish to donate (e.g. chocolate, tombola prizes), please bring your donations to the School Office by Wednesday 6 July.

Sports Day

We are so excited to welcome all parents / guardians back on site for sports day this year. The arrangements are still as they were before the pandemic hit! Just as last year, sports day will be taking place during our Health & Fitness week this year. The key dates and times are:

Wednesday 13th July: Reception & Nursery - 9:30am
Years 1 & 2 - 1:30pm

Thursday 14th July: Years 3 & 4 - 9:30am
Years 5 & 6 - 1:30pm



If you are wanting to attend, please arrive at the top (KS2 gate). We look forward to celebrating our children's sporting successes together!

As pupils will be competing in a variety of events, please may we remind parents that the children will be unable to come across to speak to families and parents will need to remain within the spectating area.

Also, don't forget your trainers for the parent race!

Year 6 leavers - final week



As we approach our final few weeks, Year 6 are busy preparing for a few special events that will be taking place as follows:

- **Monday 18th July** - Y6 will enjoy their special retreat day, where they will reflect on their journey through St. Paulinus reminiscing all the special memories they hold.
- **Wednesday 20th July** - Year 6 production. Year 6 are busying learning lines and song lyrics for their end of year production of Pirates of the Curry Bean! Year 6 will be performing this to Year 6 parents at 13:30 and 17:00 in school.
- **Thursday 21st July** - Year 6 leavers service. At 5pm, we will be holding a special leavers service for our Year 6 children, followed by a family party for our Year 6 families.
- **Friday 22nd July** - Whole school end of Year Mass and early finish at 13:15. As with tradition, Year 6 will stay on the playground and we will have our 'Guard of Honour' at 13:30 to send off our Year 6, Class of 2022! Don't forget that on this Friday we welcome our Year 6 children to bring a spare shirt for their signing!

****Please keep an eye out for an additional letter next week for further details! ****



Baby News !

Please join me in saying a huge congratulations to Mrs. Towers and her husband as we welcome their new addition into the world!

Mrs. Towers has had a beautiful baby boy, Jacob who was born on Wednesday 29 June at 13:31. Both mother and baby are doing well.

We are sending our love, prayers and best wishes to their new addition. We can't wait to meet him!



Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance overall is 94.3%

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

This week's class attendance: EYJ : 93% / EYR : 91%



Class 1B: 94%	Class 1T: 94%	Class 2C: 83%	Class 2IB: 97%
Class 3N: 94%	Class 3W: 97%	Class 4G: 96%	Class 4T: 93%
Class 5S: 97%	Class 5SC: 94%	Class 6C: 94%	Class 6H: 90%

The winners of KS1 and KS2 are 2IB, 3W & 5SC they will receive extra playtime for their attendance.

St. Paulinus Kids Club

This was established in August 2005 by Sara Shires, with the intention to offer affordable childcare within St. Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy for working parents / carers, and offers a safe and secure environment for your child/ren at all times; and fully registered with Ofsted.

Opening Times & Pricing

Morning session: 07:00 - 08:50 £ 8.00 per child (includes breakfast)

Afternoon session: 15:00 - 18:00 £ 11.00 per child (includes a tea time snack)

Holiday Club: (Holiday club is open on set days/weeks which are provided in a letter in advance*) 07:30 - 17:30 ~ £28.00 per child (includes breakfast, snacks and teatime snack)

* Set days open for the Summer Holidays :

25 - 27 July / 1 - 3 August / 8 - 10 August

Booking is essential

If Kids Club sounds like it would be of interest to you, or you need holiday cover, then please feel free to call and arrange a visit for you and your child/ren to take a look at what we offer.

Contact number: 07814 010999

Sara Shires (Directing Manager)



Year 3

Since the start of the half term Year 3 have been learning about angles. The children are very good at finding right angles and are now learning about acute and obtuse. They enjoyed an outdoor lesson looking at different angles outside and were mesmerised by the amount of angles they could find in the playground.



Back in class, they enjoyed using their angle finder as well as shapes to check which angles they could find - right, obtuse or acute!

Year 4



In **R.E.**, we have been learning about World Youth Day. We learnt about the church's mission and the message that John Paul II spread.

In **P.E.**, we have been continuing our topic of athletics. We learnt about the relay race and how to pass the baton correctly, while maintaining our sprinting technique.

We have been working hard in **Maths**, investigating complicated number systems!

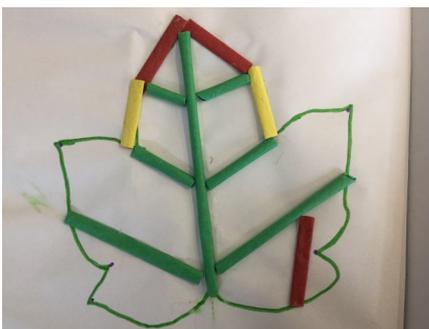


Year 5

This week we enjoyed creating images of a plant, of our own creation, from an imaginary seed. We used different materials to create texture and colour.



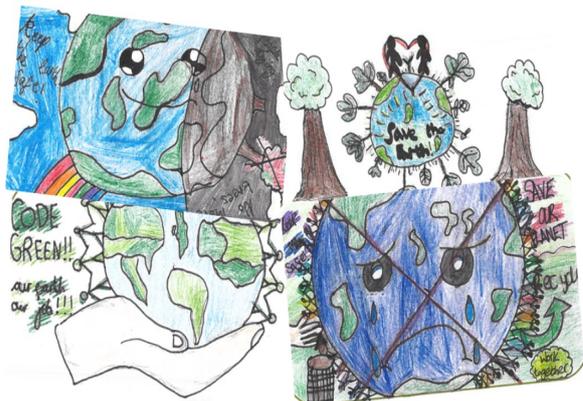
This was part of steam week but it complimented our unit last half term of Collage and Textiles.



Year 6

In our **Geography** lesson this week, we looked at the numerous environmental challenges facing our planet and the many charities that are working hard to address these issues.

We then created our own 'save the planet' logo to promote this message.



Congratulations to all our Key Stage 2 super stars!

Celebration Certificates

Excellence Endeavour Service to School

3N Jayden R
3W George W
4G Eli A
4T Naimh M-S

5S Filip O
5SC Francis R
6C Charlie F
6H Twana A

Star Readers

3N Daniel S
3W Lana B
4G Maizie D
4T Darcy T
5S Kuba R
5SC Esme S
6C Trent M
6H Mikail B

Wonderful Writers

3N Aamna S
3W Adam P
4G Toby K
4T Isobella G
5S Lacey R
5SC Violet B
6C Amaya H
6H Amelia W

Maths Marvels

3N Nikola K
3W Ella P
4G Joseph B
4T Farah I
5S Zaine J
5SC Shamsa Q
6C Kaydee L
6H Kornel M

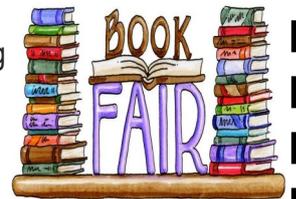
Travelling Book Sale

'The Travelling Book Fair has been and gone! It has been a resounding success as children were very keen to get their favourite books! Thank you to all parents and carers who came to purchase books for their child/ren. It has given great support for our school library which now will count brand new books which have been chosen by the children.

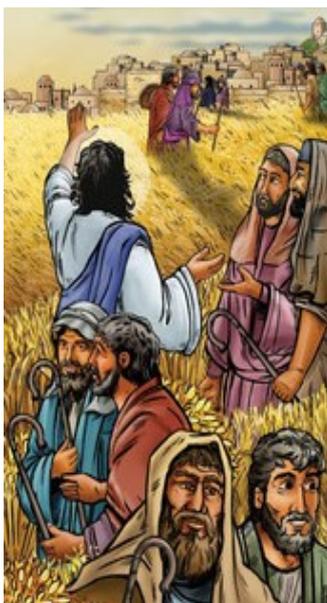
The Book Fair was with us for the whole week and children enjoyed spending time browsing through the vast choice of books on offer!

Such was the success that it has been booked for next year!

Thank you to all involved!



14th Sunday of Ordinary time



The Lord appointed another seventy-two and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, 'Peace to this house!' And if people of peace live there, your peace will go and rest on them; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, 'The Kingdom of God is very near to you.'"

"It is in the human heart that God's kingdom takes root and grows."

Pope Francis

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Please remember that summer holidays is from **Monday 25 July - Monday 5 September 2022.**

School will close early on Friday 22 July (13:15) and re-opens on Tuesday 6 September.





STEAM Week (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics)

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SCIENCE - Year 4 thought about life on Mars! We researched and explored the living conditions of Mars and then discussed the characteristics a living thing would need to survive there. They would have to survive the cold, the lack of oxygen and food and the reduced gravity. In groups, we designed our own animal with adaptations to survive on Mars and then used clay to make them.



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TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING - all classes were given a challenge.... to design and then make a tower using only one sheet of A4 paper, scissors and if needed 30cm of cello tape. The children learnt how to fold and roll paper to make their structure stronger and how to join two pieces of paper together using slits. The tallest tower wins! All classes really enjoyed the challenge and created some fabulous extremely tall towers."

- Year 1 had a competition to see who could build the tallest tower out of a piece of A4 paper. It was surprising how tall they were!
- Year 3 have been thinking about how to build the tallest and strongest tower with only one piece of A4. They looked at the structure at the base and how to make it stronger. We discussed how the paper could be cut in many parts and joined together using splits in paper or rolling the paper together to make it taller. A lot of trial and error took place but we eventually, through sheer perseverance and resilience, managed to build a few towers that were standing and tall!



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ART - In Year 2 the focus for the **ART** section has been taken from a WWF/ PLACE2Be topic on Growth which focuses on improving children's mental health through the use of Nature as an inspiration. The children will listen to short stories or films, go outside to look at the school grounds and then produce their own work. They will be using the mediums of drawing, painting and collage to create their masterpieces!!

Year 1 created their own imaginary environment that a flower could grow in.



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MATHS - The children enjoyed applying their problem solving and reasoning skills to a wide range of topics throughout the day. They used their understanding of measurement: height, mass, length & capacity to complete activities based around the topic of 'Growth'.



WATCH THIS SPACE

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 5 July

Whole School Transition Day

Friday 8 July
13:30 - 16:00

Summer Fair

Monday 11 – Friday 15 July

Health & Fitness Week

Wednesday 13 July

Sports Day for EYU & Years 1 - 2

Thursday 14 July

Sports Day for Years 3 - 6

Friday 15 July

Children's written reports handed to parents

Friday 22 July

End of Year Whole School Liturgy followed by a treat for all the children

Friday 22 July

(Early finish 13:15)

Last day of School

(2021/2022)

Year 2 visit - Temple Newsam

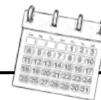
Year 2 had a fabulous time when they visited Temple Newsam Farm. They had the opportunity to meet lots of animals and learn about them. The gardens of the house were a great place to explore and we found lots of interesting plants and insects to support our Science topics. We had the best fun!



Year 2 had an amazing trip to Temple Newsam Farm.



School Calendar 2021/2022



Term 3

End of Term

Fri 22 July 2022 - 13:15

Occasional Days - School closed

INSET Day

Mon 25 & 26 Jul. 2022

KS1 Commonwealth Games

This week KS1 took part in some Commonwealth Games with children from lots of different schools. They did amazingly well and were a credit to the school with their bat and ball skills, stamina and balancing! Our Year 6 sports leaders were praised by how hard working and mature they are. Go St Paulinus!



Transition Day

We will be holding our Transition Day on **Tuesday 5 July**. The children will find out on this day which teacher and class they will be moving into come September. They will spend the day with their new teacher and learning all about their new year group ready for September.



Safeguarding

If you ever feel any child is at risk, please contact our Child Protection Officers: Miss Hayes, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Gibbons, Mr. Hutton, Mrs. Beirne, Miss Regan, Mrs. Oakley, Mrs. Watt, Mr. Regan or ring Duty and Advice on 01484 456848, in confidence. Thank you.

Important

School will be closing early on Friday 22 July 2022 and you will be able to collect your child/ren at 13:15. Note : School buses will be leaving around 13:10 and so will arrive home early in the afternoon.

Early Dismissal