



# 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'

Autumn Term 1, Week 4

30<sup>th</sup> September 2022

# Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:  
*Thankfulness*

Another fantastic week in school! I have had great fun in the KS2 playground this week, refereeing football matches and watching some brilliant songs and dances that the children have made up! There are lots of hidden talents at St. Paulinus - outside the classrooms as well as inside them - but I must admit I wasn't very impressed when I had to retrieve a football from the brambles on the other side of the fence! Don't kick it so hard next time, Year 6! 😊

We also had a special visitor in school! Mr Rowan, from our Trust, came to visit and introduced himself to all the staff and children! He can't wait to come back again and had lots of praise for how hard all the children were working and for their excellent attitudes towards learning! Well done Team Paulinus!

Next week is National Cycle or Walk to School Week! It would be great to see less cars on our road and to hear about all the different ways the children have travelled to school. Good luck to everyone taking on the challenge!

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

Miss Hayes

### National Bike to School Week

Swapping the car for cycling on the school run could save families £160 year – and Cycle to School Week saved £20,000 of fuel in 2021.

Schools and families across the UK are being invited to take part in the [Cycle to School Week](#), running from **3 - 7 October 2022**. Activity across the country will encourage the nation's children to use pedal power to get to school.

Organised by The Bikeability Trust, in partnership with Sustrans, Cycle to School Week returns to encourage families and schools to celebrate cycling. Participants can choose between pledging to swap one car journey for cycling, cycle to school every day, cycle with their family or discover somewhere new on a cycle ride.

For more information click on this link: [Cycle to School with Bikeability this October](#)

### Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 95.30%, and attendance so far 95.64%

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

#### This week's class attendance:

EYCJ : 91% / EYR : 96%

Class 1B: 98%	Class 1T: 95%	Class 2B: 92%	Class 2R: 98%
Class 3J: 97%	Class 3W: 99%	Class 4G: 95%	Class 4H: 95%
Class 5SI: 87%	Class 5W: 95%	Class 6H: 94%	Class 6S: 96%



The winners of KS1 and KS2 were 1B, 2R and 3W who received extra playtime this week for their attendance last 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

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Congratulations to all our Key Stage 2 super stars!

**Celebration Certificates**  
**Excellence**  
**Endeavour**  
**Service to School**

- 3J Kaisen M
- 3W Myla E
- 4G Adam P
- 4H Maja M

- 5SI Layla C
- 5W Ramona K
- 6H Lottie R
- 6S Lukasz R

**Star Readers**

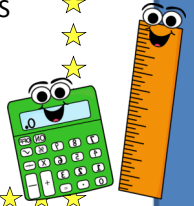
- 3J Fatima P
- 3W Taylor P
- 4G Saif A
- 4J Umaiza S
- 5SI Penelope S
- 5W Julia L
- 6H Grace B
- 6S Kuba R

**Wonderful Writers**

- 3J Annabel C
- 3W Ayat H
- 4G Beau H
- 4J Wiktor R
- 5SI Aidh A
- 5W Evie B
- 6H Michal Z
- 6S Julia Z

**Maths Marvels**

- 3J Ayla K
- 3W Abdul A
- 4G Iris L-S
- 4J Aamna S
- 5SI Abdulhad S
- 5W Adam A
- 6H Olivia S
- 6S Kaydee L



**Parents Invite**

Date : Tuesday 4 October 2022  
 Time : 09:00



Come and join Ms Murphy (Our Parent & Community Worker) for a workshop on 'Money Management' followed by a cuppa, biscuit and an informal chat about what we can offer you and your child in terms of support in school.

Miss Douglass, our School SENDCo will also be there to advise and support you with any concerns you may have regarding your child.

**Church Mass Times**

- Saturday 1 Oct. 18:00 St. Joseph's
- Sunday 2 Oct. 09:15 St. Joseph's
- Sunday 2 Oct. 10:45 Our Lady & St. Paulinus



No need to book to come to church. All welcome.

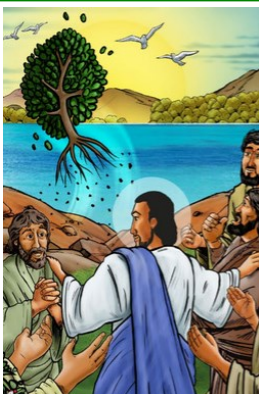
**Can you complete the Rosary Challenge?**



Pray a decade of the Rosary each weekday in October. Begin by carefully listening to a scripture passage. Then, pray the **Our Father**, the **Hail Mary** ten times and finish with the **Gloria Be**. As you pray remember the words from scripture and pay attention to how God speaks and moves your heart.

“The Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results.”  
 Saint Josemaria Escriva

**27th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C**



The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith.” The Lord replied, “Were your faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, ‘Come and have your meal immediately?’ Would he not be more likely to say, ‘Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards?’ Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, ‘We are merely servants; we have done no more than our duty.’”

**‘How beautiful it is to support each other in the wonderful adventure of faith!’ - Pope Francis**

**SHARING SUNDAY’S GOSPEL**

## Year 3



This week in Year 3, we have been looking at the properties of rocks. Last week, the children learnt about the different types of rock: igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. This week, they have looked at different rocks and equipped with a nail, they checked their hardness. In some rocks, it was incredibly difficult to even make a mark while others scratched easily and the nail left a deep indent! It was fun and they learnt a lot about fair testing and the benefit of it as well as understanding why some rocks are better suited for different uses.'



## Year 4

In **Art**, we have been creating collagraph blocks based on our knowledge and research of African prints. We used our collagraph blocks to print on different materials to test which was the most effective surface.



In **PE**, in our gymnastics lessons we have been practising our shapes, balances and rolls.



In our **Worships**, we have started the Mark 10 Rosary Challenge.

We are enjoying and appreciating the reflective time we have everyday when we pray a decade of the rosary.



On Monday and Tuesday of this week, we had visitors in school from the Dogs Trust doing workshops with all our classes in Key Stage 2 (Years 3 - 6). They focussed on the theme of staying safe around dogs, being a responsible dog owner, treating them in a caring and respectful manner and building confidence around dogs.

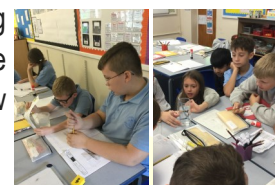


## Year 6

**RPSHE - Life Skills:** This week we have been looking at 'Dealing with Stressful Situations'. We discussed things that may make people stressed in their lives and then looked at a scenario of a young boy who became stressed at school causing him to make the wrong decision and act badly towards another pupil. We then looked at different scenarios (spelling test, falling out with a friend etc.) and the children decided if it made them 'very stressed', 'a little stressed' or 'not stressed at all'. We then finished by looking at different ways to deal with stress so they could remain calm and make the right decisions.



**Science - Light:** We looked at refraction and how it is caused. We observed what happened to a pencil when it was placed in a glass of water and used our scientific knowledge to explain why the pencil looks bent. Then, the children made predictions and carried out an investigation to see what would happen to an arrow during refraction. They then made conclusions using their new knowledge of refraction.



## Admissions Deadline

The Admissions deadline for next September is :

**15 January 2023**

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.



# IMPORTANT DATES

Add these dates to your Diary

**TT Rockstars Competition in school** W/C. 3 October

**National Bike to School Week** W/C. 3 October

**Parent Invite : Coffee Morning / Workshop on Money Management** Tuesday 4 October

**Parents Invite: Sponsored Fun Run** Friday 7 October  
(see below for times)

## TimesTables Rockstars Competition

Next week we are having our very own St. Paulinus TimesTables challenge! Every day next week KS2 will have access to TTRockstars. Children can also access this at home using their TTRockstars login and their teacher will be able to provide this. The winning class will be the class with the most points from correct answers. The top 3 scoring individuals from each class will also receive a certificate. TimesTables are a fundamental skill that children need, they underpin our Maths learning so it is really important that children become fluent in these. The competition will be a fantastic start to get the children interested and enthusiastic to be a TimesTable Rockstar!

## European Day of Languages

This year for European Language Day (Monday 26 September), each class looked at a different European country. We learnt different greetings and numbers in the country's language. We also looked at some facts about the country and created a fact file to display what we had learnt. Year 1 tried some foods such as olives and croissants. Each class also did a t-shirt competition to design a logo for next year's European Day of Language, which lots of schools around Europe have entered. Fingers crossed we will win.

## Mini Vinnies



We are so proud of our Year 6 Mini Vinnies who represented St. Paulinus at the Mini Vinnie Mass on Wednesday. The children travelled by train to St. Anne's Cathedral in Leeds and were commissioned by Bishop Marcus. He reminded the children of the Mini Vinnie mission to "see, think, do" and to spot and help people in need. The children were also lucky enough to get a chance to meet Bishop Marcus at the end of the Mass.

# School Calendar 2022/2023



### Term 1 - Autumn

Start	Tues. 6 Sept. 2022
Half Term	Mon. 24 Oct. - Mon. 31 Oct. 2022
Restart	Tues. 1 Nov. 2022
End of Term	Fri. 16 Dec. 2022

### Term 2 - Spring

Start	Tues. 3 Jan. 2023
Half Term	Mon. 13 Feb. - Fri. 17 Feb. 2023
Restart	Mon. 20 Feb. 2023
End of Term	Fri. 31 Mar. 2023

### Term 3 - Summer

Start	Mon. 17 Apr. 2023
Half Term	Mon. 29 May - Mon. 5 June 2023
Restart	Tues. 6 June 2023
End of Term	Fri. 21 July 2023

### Occasional Days - School closed

INSET Day	Mon. 6 Sept. 2022
Queen's Funeral	Mon. 19 Sept. 2022
INSET Day	Mon. 31 Oct. 2022 (Trust Training Day)
May Day	Mon. 1 May 2023
INSET Day	Mon 5 June 2023
INSET Days	Mon. 24 & Tues. 25 July 2023



On Friday 7 October we will be holding our annual Sponsored 'Fancy Dress' Fun Run for all school children to take part in. Please remember to complete the sponsor form and return the reply slip on the letter that came out last week.

### Please see below for times of your child's event:

EYs 09:00 – 09:30 | Year 2 09:45 – 10:15  
 Year 1 10:30 – 11:00 | Year 5 11:15 – 11:45  
 Year 6 13:00 – 13:30 | Year 4 13:45 – 14:15  
 Year 3 14:30 – 15:00