



# 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'

Spring Term 2, Week 1

24th February 2023

# Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:  
*Self Control*

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all enjoyed your half term holiday and that you have come back to school ready and raring to go! It has been a hive of activity in school this week with lots of exciting things going on including children preparing for their Lenten bun sales and for World Book Day next week.

For World Book Day this year we are all going to be dressing up as a word, this could be your favourite word, or just a word that you think is really awesome! I wonder how creative you can be! All the children will have seen a PowerPoint with some great ideas and we will also put that PowerPoint on our website so that parents can see it too! I can't wait to see your creativity - and don't forget to label your outfit!!

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

### Staff Updates

#### Staff member leaving:

Well today marks a very special occasion as we see Farmer Geoff retiring! He has looked after our farm animals with love and passion over the years and they, as well as St Paulinus, will miss him very much! I am glad to hear that he will still be involved with school and we are sure to see him at Mass and in Church. Thank you for all your hard work, Farmer Geoff - now it's time to enjoy your retirement!



This week we welcome 2 new members of staff!



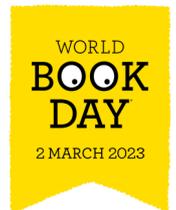
- Welcome to Mr Audsley, who is our new caretaker! He is very excited to take on the role and has had lots of fun doing his health and safety training this week.
- Secondly, we welcome Farmer Sue, who will be looking after our animals in the interim period, until we recruit a permanent member of staff to replace Farmer Geoff.

We hope you both really enjoy working at St Paulinus, welcome to the team!

### World Book Day

We will be celebrating 'World Book Day' on Thursday 2 March.

World Book Day is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and reading. It is celebrated in over 100 countries all over the world. This year the theme is to come dressed as their favourite word, so if your favourite word is 'daffodil' for example, you could come dressed all in yellow. See the School App for further examples. There will be no payment required for this event.



### Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 93.46%, and attendance so far 94.78%

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

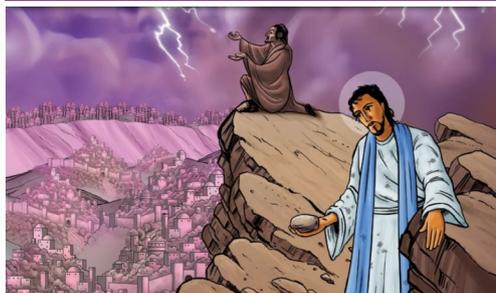
#### This week's class attendance:



KS1 - Nursery:	89%	Reception:	89%	Year 1:	97%	Year 2:	91%
KS2 - Year 3:	95%	Year 4:	95%	Year 5:	96%	Year 6:	96%

The winners of KS1 and KS2 were Years 1, 5 and 6 who will receive extra playtime next week for their attendance last week.

## 1st Sunday of Lent, Year A



**Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the word of God and celebrating the sacraments.”**  
*Pope Francis*

## SHARING GOD’S GOSPEL

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, turn these stones into loaves.” But Jesus replied with God’s word saying, “Scripture says: ‘Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” The tempter then took him to the top of the Temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down; for scripture says: ‘He will put you in his angels’ charge and they will come to save you.’” Jesus said to him, “Scripture also says: ‘You must not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Next, the tempter shoed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. “I will give you all these,” he said, “if you fall at my feet and worship me.” Then Jesus replied, “Be off, Satan! For scripture says: ‘You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.’” Then the tempter left him, and angels appeared and looked after Jesus.

## Years 5 & 6 Boxing & Martial Arts

On Tuesday afternoon, four of our pupils (Kaelan, Kaydee, Mason and Zayan) took part in a Boxing Festival at Batley Sports Centre. Coaches from a local boxing club (including a Great Britain Coach) taught the children a variety of boxing skills and general fitness tips.

Fifty children took part in the event from ten local schools and a great time was had by all. At the end, the coaches awarded just eight medals to children with the best attitude, behaviour, listening skills, effort, and performance. We are proud to say all four of our pupils won a medal, a superb achievement!



## Year 6 Girls BPS Trust Football

On Tuesday, after school, our Year 6 girls took part in the second phase of the Trust’s Football League Competition at St. John Fishers. Despite the results (one draw and three closely fought defeats), the team did really well considering it was only their second time playing competitive football. The girls worked hard, never gave up and their performances are going from strength to strength. A superb effort and once again, a credit to our school!

(Back L to R: Esme, Grace, Zoha, Olivia.  
 Front L to R: Lottie, Hannah, Lacey)



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

### Excellence

EYCJ Raees G  
 EYR Freddy P

### Star Readers

EYCJ Adam C  
 EYR Lilly-Rose S  
 1B Jayden B  
 1T Henryk P  
 2B Amelia F  
 2M Filip C

### Celebration Certificates

#### Endeavour

1B Musa S  
 1T Hannah O

#### Wonderful Writers

EYCJ Arlo N  
 EYR Esmae H  
 1B Antonia K  
 1T Minahil A  
 2B Husaifa B  
 2M Armaan C

2B Adam S  
 2M Ayesha R

#### Service to School

#### Maths Marvels

EYCJ Hamzah M  
 EYR Delilah L  
 1B Zofia J  
 1T Clayton-Jax B  
 2B Daisy K  
 2M Shaakirah P



## Early Years



What a great start to the term we have had in EYU. On Tuesday Miss Harrison made everyone a pancake. Then we could choose our topping, chocolate spread, lemon and sugar or golden syrup. Chocolate spread was definitely the favourite choice!



Then on Wednesday we had our Ash Wednesday services. We thought about how we will be kind and helpful during Lent.

We then had Ashes on our forehead to remember how Jesus died for us all.



## Year 1

On Wednesday we celebrated Ash Wednesday and had a worship in class where we all received ash on our foreheads.



This week we looked at The Catch of Fish story and spoke about all the friendship qualities that we think a good friend needs. We worked as a group and wrote these down on our own fish.



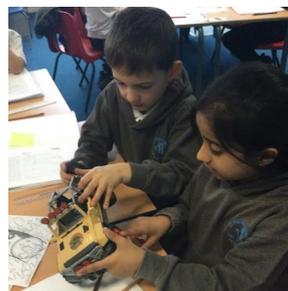
We learnt about what a habitat is. We completed a nature walk to find different habitats for animals including birds, rabbits and minibeasts. We also learnt more about their behaviours.



## Year 2

Year 2 are so happy to be back to school this half term!

This week they have started their new **Design and Technology** topic and have been learning about wheels, axles and chassis.



They have also started writing a diary entry about their recent school trip to the Thackray Museum.



# IMPORTANT DATES

Add these dates to your Diary



<b>Thursday 2 March</b>	<b>World Book Day</b> (see front page or School App for more details on this event) <b>Non-Uniform Day</b>
<b>Friday 3 March</b>	<b>Year 5 Lenten Bun Sale</b>
<b>Friday 10 March</b>	<b>Year 4 Lenten Bun Sale</b>
<b>Friday 17 March</b>	<b>Year 3 Lenten Bun Sale</b>
<b>Friday 24 March</b>	<b>EYU &amp; KS1 Parents Invite: Lenten Coffee Morning</b> (more details to follow)

# School Calendar 2022/2023



## 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

May Day	Mon. 1 May 2023
King's Coronation	Mon. 8 May 2023
INSET Day	Mon 5 June 2023
INSET Days	Mon. 24 & Tues. 25 July 2023

# Event reminder ...

## LENTEN BUN SALE

Friday 24 February	Year 6
Friday 3 March	Year 5
Friday 10 March	Year 4
Friday 17 March	Year 3
Friday 24 March	EYU & KS1



For those of you that don't know, the children bake buns / cakes at home, and then bring them into school to sell during the morning playtime. They also do colouring competitions and name the teddy, etc.

- Please provide your child with some spend:
- Minimum amount of 20 p
  - Maximum amount of £ 2.00

All proceeds will go to The Good Shepherd Appeal

**Have fun baking!**

## FofSP - Valentine's Total



Friends of St. Paulinus managed to raise £ 363.00 from the KS2 Valentine's Disco, which took place on Friday 10 February at The Parochial Hall. Thank you to everyone that managed to attend and support this event.

## Church Mass Times

Saturday 25 Feb.	18:00	St. Joseph's
Sunday 26 Feb.	09:30	St. Joseph's
Sunday 26 Feb.	11:00	Our Lady & St. Paulinus



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

\* Please note changes to Sunday times \*

## Spring Term 2 - P.E. Days

- Nursery : Wednesdays
- Reception : Wednesdays
- Year 1 : Wednesday & Thursdays
- Year 2 : Tuesday & Fridays
- Year 3 : Wednesday & Thursdays
- Year 4 : Tuesday & Fridays
- Year 5 : Thursday & Fridays / 5W Swimming
- Year 6 : Monday & Thursdays



Please ensure that your child comes to school in their P.E. kit, which comprises of : Grey School Hoodie with school logo / Plain White t-shirt (with or without logo) / Jogging bottoms in plain grey or black. They will also need a pair of trainers.

**NB.** 5W swimming commenced Friday 24 February

## Safeguarding

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

Miss Hayes, Mrs. Davies,  
Mrs. McHale, Mr. Hutton, Mrs. Beirne, Miss Regan,  
Mrs. Oakley, Mrs. Watt, Mr. Regan  
or ring Duty and Advice on 01484 456848,  
in confidence. Thank you.