



# 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 6

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

# Head's welcome

I can't believe how quickly this term has gone! It seems like only 2 seconds since we were returning from Christmas holidays and now we are at Easter! A huge well done to all the children for this week, your Holy Week liturgies were wonderful and really helped us all develop our understanding of Lent and the story leading up to Easter.



I wish you all a safe and happy Easter Holiday and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 17 April!

Miss Hayes

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT - Home Learning Day: Thursday 4 May

Please note that on **Thursday 4 May**, there will be a home learning day because the school will be closed for the Polling station. Every child will be sent home (on Wednesday) with a pack of work to complete during this day and teachers will be available via the Year group email between 9:00 am to 11:45 am then again from 12:45 - 3:00 pm to help if you or your child needs it. It is not ideal to have a home learning day at this time, but whilst ever we remain a Polling station it is better to put safety first. Further information will come out to the parents of Early Years children regarding your child's already planned trip for that day once we have investigated the various options.

I thank you for your patience and support in this matter and look forward to seeing all of the children in school on Friday 5 May.

### Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 93.95%, and attendance so far from September to March 93.71%



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:	92%	Reception:	94%	Year 1:	93%	Year 2:	95%
KS2 - Year 3:	92%	Year 4:	96%	Year 5:	91%	Year 6:	93%

The winners of KS1 and KS2 were Years 2 and 4 who will receive extra playtime W/C 17 April for their attendance last week.



### EASTER HOLIDAYS

Please remember that school is closed from **Monday 3 April - Friday 14 April** for the Easter Holidays.

**Early close on Friday 31 March (children can be collected at 13:15)** and school re-opens on Monday 17 April.



*'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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## Passion / Palm Sunday



## SHARING GOD'S GOSPEL

When they were near Jerusalem, Jesus sent two disciples into a nearby village to collect a donkey. He said to them, "If anyone stops you, tell them that it is for the Lord, and that the donkey will be returned." So the disciples went out and did as Jesus had told them.

They brought the donkey and Jesus sat on it. As he set off, great crowds of people spread their cloaks on the road, while others were spreading palm branches on the path in front of him. The crowds were all shouting, "Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heavens!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, everyone was excited and some asked, "Who is this?" "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee," was the reply.

**"To experience Holy Week is to enter more and more into God's love and self-giving." Pope Francis**



## Years 5 & 6 This Girl Can Rounders

On Tuesday (28 March), ten of our Year 5 and 6 girls participated in 'This Girl Can' Rounders. We practised some fundamental skills including batting, bowling and catching. We then took turns practising different rounders positions. Finally, we came together with teams from other schools and played some rounders matches. We played really well and will have the opportunity to compete later in the year.



## Years 3 & 4 Boys Football Final

On Wednesday (29 March) the qualifying Year 3 and 4 boys completed the 7-a-side football competition! Every single person tried their best and gave it their all. We are so proud of how hard the boys played as a team!

Go team St. Paulinus!!!

## Year 6 Boys SVSFA 9-a-side Football

Last night, Year 6 boys played in another football tournament at St John Fishers. This time, it was a 'round robin' competition where each of the five schools played one another. The top two teams would then qualify for the district final. It 9-a side and each match lasted 15 minutes. We started really well and won a hard fought match against Holy Spirit 1-0. However, we narrowly lost our next two matches to Crowlees and St Marys. This meant we had to win our last match to have any chance of qualifying which we did in style beating Crossley Fields 5-2. Unfortunately, this wasn't enough and we just missed out on qualification by one point. The boys acquitted themselves really well, tried their best and never gave up. They still have the League finals after Easter to look forward to.

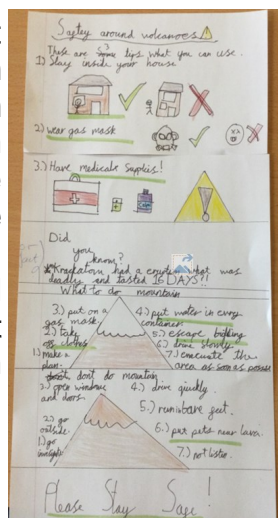


## Year 3

This week, the school and therefore Year 3 have been doing their assessment and were really mature about it! We concentrated, reflected on our answers and tried our very best!! It was a heavy week with lots of tests but we raised to the standard!! Well done Year 3!

In **Geography**, we looked at volcanoes, where they are in the world and how an eruption impacts people's lives when they live near one volcano. We looked at how to protect one self from the effects of an eruption. The children devised a safety poster explaining what to do in case there is an eruption!

They were very astute with their advice! Well done Year 3!



## Medicine in school

Only **prescribed medicine** by a doctor is permitted in school. The parent/carer will need to complete a 'Parental & School Agreement to Store Medication for Administration' when leaving medicine in school. School will complete a 'Record of Medicine Administered to an Individual Child' which will be used to record dosages administered to the child.



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

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

## Attendance Matters

St. Paulinus Catholic Primary School 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. Where ever possible please arrange for your child to have their appointments after school or in the school holiday, if you are unable to make an appointment during this time can you please arrange the appointment after 14:30 rather than morning.

Gates open 08:30	Start	Finish
Nursery	08:45	11.45
EYU & KS1	08:45	15:05
KS2 (Years 3 - 6)	08:45	15:10

**Please ensure your child/ren arrive before 08:45**

*Watch this space for exciting news about attendance rewards.*

## Kids Club "Easter Holiday Club"

To avoid disappointment .... **BOOK NOW!**

07:30 - 17:30 Only £ 28.00 - Breakfast and tea included, just bring a pack lunch.

Shorter days can be arranged! Pre-payment required to secure your booking.

All children aged 3 - 16 are welcomed from all schools!!! Kids Club offers your child lots of fun doing crafts, outings, visiting the park, walks, sports, fun games and much, much more!!! To book, contact Sara: 07814 010999



# IMPORTANT DATES

Add these dates to your Diary

**Friday 31 March**  
13:15

**EARLY FINISH**

**Monday 3 - Friday 14 April**

**Easter Holidays**

**Monday 17 April**

**School re-opens**

**Monday 1 May**

**School closed**

**Thursday 4 May**  
(see front page)

**School closed**

**Monday 8 May**

**School closed**

**WATCH THIS SPACE**

**More dates to follow**

## Additional Bank Holiday

In light of the announcement of His Majesty's coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023, an additional Bank Holiday has been announced on **Monday 8 May 2023**

## 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.

# School Calendar 2022/2023



## Term 2 - Spring

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

## Holy Week Mass Times

**Palm Sunday, 2 April**

09:00 St. Joseph's

11:00 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

**Holy Monday, 3 April**

10:00 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

**Holy Tuesday, 4 April**

10:00 St. Joseph's

**Holy Wednesday, 5 April**

11:00 Leeds Cathedral

**Maunder Thursday, 6 April**

19:30 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

**Good Friday, 7 April (Stations)**

15:00 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

18:00 St. Joseph's

**Easter Vigil, 8 April**

20:00 St. Joseph's

**Easter Sunday, 9 April**

09:30 St. Joseph's

11:00 Our Lady & St. Paulinus

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



- Download the **School App** from your iTunes/playstore, search for Paulinus. Remember to allow notifications to receive all the important messages/reminders.
- Follow us on **Twitter** @StPaulinusDews - we hope to keep you up-to-date with all the latest news and events and look forward to reading your Tweets.
- Follow us on **Facebook** 'St Paulinus Catholic Primary School'
- Also don't forget to check out the **School's website** : [www.stpaulinuscps.org.uk](http://www.stpaulinuscps.org.uk)