



The Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust



St. Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy

Part of the Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust

"Inspiring all to live, learn and love in the light of Jesus."

cf John 8:12)



ST PAULINUS 'WEEKLY NEWS'

Autumn Term 2, Week 9

10th November 2023

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:

HOPE

Welcome back everyone!! We are well and truly into winter now with the weather and the dark nights are getting earlier and earlier. I've had a lovely week in school this week as we have all been learning about different religions! The children have told me so many interesting facts - some of which I never knew! What a fascinating week!

I am looking forward to next week in school and the run up to Advent and Christmas. I hope you all have a great weekend and that you get plenty of rest in preparation for the busy weeks ahead!!

See you all on Monday,

Miss Hayes

FINAL REMINDER: Operation Shoebox Appeal

The amazing journey of a simple shoebox gift begins with you.

A simple shoebox gift packed with love and fuelled by prayer can have a huge impact!

Fill your shoebox with a selection of fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. If possible, include one or two extra special items you know a child will love such as a doll, cuddly toy or deflated football with pump.

Last year you were all very generous and Miss Regan was able to send 80 shoeboxes full of lovely Christmas presents to needy children in Eastern Europe. This year we're hoping to beat last year's record. Please be as generous as you can be, and have the shoeboxes in school no later than

Tuesday 14 November.



OPERATION SHOEBOX



Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 94.47%, and attendance so far 95.45%

We have a zero-tolerance policy on parents taking their children out of school to go on holiday, penalty notices will be issued. If your child is absent for 5 days or more you will need to provide proof of illness.

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

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| Last week's class attendance: | KS1 - | N-EYCJ: | 90.0% | N-EYR: | 85.3% | R-EYCJ: | 96.2% | R-EYR: | 99.5% |
| | | 1/2B: | 96.0% | 1/2C: | 90.0% | 1/2T: | 94.3% | | |
| | KS2 - | 3J: | 89.6% | 3W: | 100% | 4H: | 90.6% | 4SI: | 94.2% |
| | | 5T: | 96.0% | 5W: | 94.2% | 6H: | 92.3% | 6S: | 98.5% |



For their attendance last week, the winners **3W** will receive a treasure chest of goodies to share in class.

Guidance for Parents: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

'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 Armaan C

3W Zak B

4H Whole Class!

4SI Adam P

5T Lewis B

5W Nikola K

6H Joseph B

6S Lucas L



Star Readers

3J Caitlyn W

3W Frankie B-Y

4H Maya R

4SI Alicja J

5T Lana B

5W Lola S

6H Fatima P

6S Theo P

Wonderful Writers

3J Aisha H

3W Daisy K

4H Antonina J

4SI Zuzanna S

5T Jacob S

5W Oliwia T

6H Ramona K

6S Julia L

Maths Marvels

3J Zachary S

3W Gracie F

4H Manuela LG

4SI Ahmed A

5T Igor J

5W Daniel R

6H Naimh M-S

6S Aidh A



Regular Attendance

St. Paulinus 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.

Attendance - Absent from School

If your child is absent from school you must telephone the office on (01924 488282) on the first day of absence before 09:30 am and provide a reason.

If we receive no confirmation of the reason you will receive a phone call home. If we are unable to get hold of you within 45 mins of school registers being taken we will contact the next person on your child's emergency list. If we are unable to get hold of anyone we may arrange a home visit.



32nd Sunday of Ordinary time, Year A

SHARING GOD'S GOSPEL



Jesus told his parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up. The wise bridesmaids refilled and lit their lamps and went to the wedding hall with the bridegroom, and the door was closed. But the lamps of the other bridesmaids had begun to run out of oil, so they had to go off to try and buy some more oil. They arrived much later but couldn't get in because the door was already locked. So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

"We can ask the Lord to grant us the gift of wisdom." Pope Francis

Interfaith & Multicultural Week

What a busy week we have had in Early Years learning about different cultures and religions. We looked at the countries of Nigeria and Poland and we looked at the religions of Islam and Sikhism. We loved making samosas with our special visitor Sonal.



In Year 6 this week, we have been studying Islam.

On Tuesday we learned all about the beliefs of Islam and the practices following the Five Pillars of Islam. On Wednesday we found out more about the place of worship (the Mosque), the holy book (the Qur'an) and prayer.

Some children in our class volunteered to demonstrate prayer for us and wore their Jubba. On Thursday we learned all about the creation story of Islam and also about the beliefs of life after death.

This has been a very enjoyable week and our children have loved sharing their knowledge with one another and the opportunity to ask questions.



Year 6 - Remembrance Service



On Thursday 9th November, Year 6 were invited to a Remembrance Service at Dewsbury Cemetery. In attendance were the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, members of the Armed Forces, local parishioners, local schools and our MP Mark Eastwood. The service began at 10:30am and a two minute silence was observed at 11am with a bugler signalling the Last Post. Two of our pupils (Riley and Elijah) gave a reading on the importance of remembering the men, women and children who have given their lives in war time so we can all enjoy our freedom today. As always, our Year 6 pupils were a credit to the school and behaved impeccably with reverence and respect.



IMPORTANT DATES

Add these dates to your Diary

Monday 13 - Friday 17 November Road Safety Week

Monday 13 - Friday 17 November Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 13 November  Odd Socks Day

Thursday 23 November 09:00—10:30 Parents Invite: Coffee Morning & Chat with Debby Murphy (Parent Co-Worker)

Saturday 2 December 13:00 - 16:00 St. Paulinus Church Christmas Fair

Sunday 3 December First Sunday of Advent

Monday 4 December Advent Liturgy 1

School Calendar 2023/2024



Term 1 - Autumn

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| Start | Tues. 5 Sept. 2023 |
| Half Term | Mon. 30 Oct. - Mon. 6 Nov. 2023 |
| Restart | Tues. 7 Nov. 2023 |
| End of Term | Fri. 22 Dec. 2023 |

Term 2 - Spring

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| Start | Tues. 9 Jan. 2024 |
| Half Term | Mon. 12 Feb. - Fri. 16 Feb. 2024 |
| Restart | Mon. 19 Feb. 2024 |
| End of Term | Fri. 22 Mar. 2024 |

Term 3 - Summer

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| Start | Mon. 8 Apr. 2024 |
| Half Term | Mon. 27 May - Fri. 31 May 2024 |
| Restart | Mon. 3 June 2024 |
| End of Term | Fri. 19 July 2024 |

Occasional Days - School closed

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| INSET Day | Mon. 6 Nov. 2023 |
| INSET Day | Mon. 8 Jan. 2024 |
| INSET Day | Thurs. 2 May 2024 |
| May Day | Mon. 6 May 2024 |
| INSET Day | Mon. 22 July 2024 |

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The Halloween Disco event given by Friends of St. Paulinus was a huge success and managed to raise £ 190.00. Thank you for your support.

Odd Socks Day - Monday 13 November 2023



Anti-Bully Week is 13 - 17 November ... let's come together and reach out to stop bullying ... We will be wearing odd socks on Monday 13 November



We'll be wearing odd socks with the Anti-Bullying Alliance and their patrons, Andy and the Odd Socks, on Monday 13th November for Odd Socks Day. Will you?

Odd Socks Day

#AntiBullyingWeek
#OddSocksDay



This ANTI-BULLYING WEEK let's come together to make a noise about bullying!

MAKE A NOISE ABOUT BULLYING

From MONDAY 13TH to FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2023

