



The Blessed Peter Snow Catholic Academy Trust



St. Paulinus Catholic Primary Academy

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

cf John 8:12)



ST PAULINUS 'WEEKLY NEWS'

Spring Term 1, Week 2

19th January 2024

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:

Faith

Week 2 is complete and what a week it has been! I have a feeling that this term is going to go very quickly! This week I have been very busy meeting with teachers to discuss how well the children achieved in Autumn Term in their assessments. I am very proud of how hard the children have worked and it has been a pleasure to hear about the progress they have made! We have set each class some new targets for them to achieve at the end of this term and I wonder which class will do the best!! Sounds like a bit of a competition to me - which class can make the most progress this term!? Good luck St Paulinus!

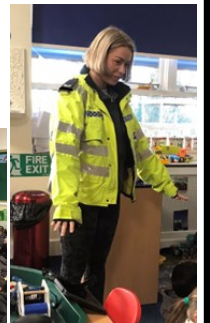
Have a wonderful weekend everyone and I will see you all on Monday,

Miss Hayes

Early Years



On Wednesday morning, Sgt. Tom came in to talk to EYU about his job as a police man. He showed us how he uses his handcuffs, how he collects evidence carefully and how he arrests the people who steal things. He showed us all the different parts of his uniform and let Mrs. Clayton try on his jacket. We found out lots of information from Sgt. Tom.



Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 95.63%, and attendance so far 95.11%

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.



Last week's class attendance:	KS1 -	N-EYCJ:	82.5%	N-EYR:	92.5%	R-EYCJ:	100%	R-EYR:	99.4%
		1/2B:	96.9%	1/2C:	100%	1/2T:	94.4%		
	KS2 -	3J:	91.9%	3W:	89.3%	4H:	96.9%	4SI:	98.2%
		5T:	98.7%	5W:	91.9%	6H:	93.3%	6S:	95.5%



For their attendance last week, the winners 1/2C 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

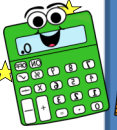
Endeavour

Service to School

3J Armaan A
 3W Adam S
 4H Chloe S
 4SI Nicole O

5T Lana B
 5W Alfie R
 6H Gabriella K
 6S Kaya B-H

Star Readers	Wonderful Writers	Maths Marvels
3J Rudi N	3J Gracie-Mae B	3J Zachary S
3W Isreal O	3W Gracie F	3W Connor W
4H Anaum A	4H Inaaya A	4H Lena W
4SI Jay K	4SI Alison C	4SI Annabel C
5T Marcel G	5T Zachary M	5T Hafsa E
5W Lyndon W	5W Erin O	5W Clay E
6H Karol C	6H Stevemartin O	6H Jake S
6S Neveah D-D	6S Zara H	6S Harry G



WOW Travel Tracker Award

As in previous years, we have been using the Living Streets (UK charity for everyday walking) 'WOW Travel Tracker' scheme to promote a better walking environment and inspire people to walk more.

This award-winning programme challenges schools to encourage as many of their pupils to walk to school. Every day, our WOW Ambassadors log their classmates' daily journeys to school on the system. The WOW Travel Tracker also confirms which pupils have walked enough to earn a badge each month and these key statistics can be used to earn your school an award.

We are pleased to say our superb effort in raising the number of pupils who choose a healthier option of getting to school (walking, park, and stride, cycling, scooting) has been recognised with a 'Walking Superstars Award.'

Well done everyone.

3rd Sunday of Ordinary time, Year B

SHARING GOD'S GOSPEL



After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. "The time has come," he said, "and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News." As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them "Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men." And at once they left their nets and followed him. Going on a little further, he saw James, son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

"The family is a community of love where each of us learns to relate to others and to the world around us." Pope Francis

Year 3

Upon our return from the Christmas holidays, the children in Year 3 have been learning about how the Epiphany is celebrated in France and Spain. They learnt that the Three Wise Men parade in the streets showing joy at the birth of Jesus the Saviour. As it is also tradition, they tasted a 'Galette des Rois' and they all loved it! In the Galette, there is a figurine and whoever gets the piece of brioche with the figurine becomes King or Queen for the day.



Eurovision / Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 26 January, we are holding our annual Eurovision Song Contest in school with performances from both pupils and members of staff. The theme of this year's contest is 'The 80's'.

A separate letter has been sent out to those children that are performing.

Due to fire regulations, we are only permitted a limited number of people that can be admitted to the hall, and therefore only the children taking part in the actual concert will be issued with tickets.

NB. No ticket, no entry.

To coincide with the Eurovision Song Contest, we are holding a '80's **Non-Uniform Day** on this day. If your child has anything associated with the 80's they could wear on this day, this would be great. If not, don't worry!



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.

Lateness

We are seeing an increase in pupils arriving late! Our school gates are open from 08:30am each morning and our lessons begin at 08:45am.

Children who are regularly late miss out on vital instructions and part of their lesson, and are often embarrassed about arriving late. Pupils arriving late receive a late mark and if no improvement they may be contacted by Kirklees Attendance and pupil support to discuss ways to improve their punctuality.



Every school day counts BUT every minute is equally important!

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,
Mrs. Aqib, Mr. Regan or ring Duty and Advice on 01484
456848, in confidence. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES

Add these dates to your Diary

Friday 19 - Friday 26 January Years 5 & 6 Bikeability

NB. Allocated dates for individual groups

Thursday 25 January Year 3 Parents Invite: Parent Workshop
15:15 - 15:45 (More info to follow)

Friday 26 January Eurovision 'Non-Uniform Day'
(see page 3 for more info)

Monday 29 January EYU Balance Bike Training
(Day 1)

Monday 29 January EYFS Parents Invite: Parent Workshop
15:20 - 15:45 (More info to follow)

Thursday 1 February NSPPC Number Day 'Non-Uniform Day'
50p donation, dress as a digit

Thursday 1 February Time to Talk Day

Thursday 1 February Year 6 Sacrament of Confirmation @ Holy Spirit Church, Heckmondwike
19:00

Friday 2 February EYU Balance Bike Training
(Day 2)

Friday 2 February KS2 Parents Invite: Candlemas
09:00

Friday 2 February EYFS & KS1 Parents Invite: Candlemas
14:00

Monday 5 - Friday 9 February Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 6 February Safer Internet Day

Friday 9 February Young Voices Concert

Friday 9 February FofSP KS2 Valentine's Disco

Monday 12 - Friday 16 February Spring Half Term Holidays

School Calendar 2023/2024



Term 2 - Spring

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

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

INSET Day	Mon. 4 Sept. 2023
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

Pantomime

A local Dewsbury company, Westax Flooring, donated pantomime tickets to some of our lucky families.

So on Saturday 13 January, these families went to Dewsbury Town Hall to watch 'Cinderella'.

They all had a fantastic time. One pupil said "It was amazing, we had the best day ever!"

Thank you very much Westex Flooring.

