



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 2, Week 2

1st March 2024

Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:
Forgiveness

Well I don't know about anyone else but the weeks seem to be flying by here at school. Practices are fully under way for the end of term Holy Week performances and KS2 have been leading us through Lent week by week. This week Year 5 told us all about how Jesus and his close friends climbed Mount Tabor. At the top of the mountain, Jesus is changed and becomes a dazzling white. This is known as the transfiguration. Peter and his friends never wanted this moment to end because he could see Jesus as he appeared in heaven. I wonder what Jesus looked like? I wonder how we would have felt if we had been in that moment, looking up at Jesus? I wonder how we can shine our lights for others to see during this time of Lent - bringing hope to those who need it most.

At the beginning of this week, St. Paulinus also said goodbye to Mrs. Harrison during her funeral on Monday. We have all taken a moment this week, in our own ways, to send Mrs. Harrison and her friends and family our thoughts, love and prayers for the coming days, weeks, months and years. Perhaps you could add your prayers to ours this weekend as you remember our beloved friend and teacher.

Thank you for your continued support of school and all of our extended family,

Miss Hayes



Moments Matter, Attendance Counts

Have you seen The Department for Education adverts on TV regarding the importance of children attending school ?

They highlight the importance not just for your child's learning, but also for their overall well being, wider development and their mental health.

Guidance for Parents:

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

Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance overall was 96.33%, and attendance so far 94.68%

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: 84.4%	N-EYR: 78.0%	R-EYCJ: 96.4%	R-EYR: 84.7%
		1/2B: 97.5%	1/2C: 98.6%	1/2T: 98.8%	
	KS2 -	3J: 99.2%	3W: 96.6%	4H: 98.6%	4SI: 94.0%
		5T: 98.0%	5W: 95.6%	6H: 96.6%	6S: 100%



For their attendance last week, the winners 6S will receive a treasure chest of goodies to share in class.

'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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3rd Sunday of Lent, Year B

SHARING GOD'S GOSPEL



Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple there he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and money changes sitting at their counters. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattering the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, "Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market." Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture; Zeal for your house will devour me. The people in the Temple said to Jesus, "what sign can you show us to justify what you have done?" Jesus answered, "Destroy this Temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The people replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple: are you going to raise it up in three days?" Now the Temple Jesus was talking about was his own body. And later when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered what he had told them.

"If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze!" St. Catherine of Siena

Years 5-6 This Girl Can Cricket

On Tuesday, some of our Year 6 girls went to Batley Sports Centre this week to learn cricketing skills. Over the next few months they will be developing these skills before taking part in a festival of cricket in June.



Year 4 - Lenten Bun Sale

On **Wednesday 6 March**, the children from Year 4 will bake buns / cakes at home, and then bring them into school to sell during the morning break to Key Stage 2 children.

Children from Years 3, 5 and 6 will be able to buy these buns, so please provide your child with some money on this day, so that they can buy a bun or two from the sale.

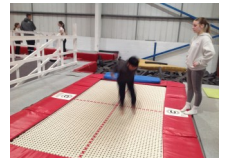
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[click here for poster](#)



KS1 & KS2 Gymnastics

On Thursday this week, some of our KS1 and KS2 children attended a gymnastics festival at Panache Gymnastics, Batley. The children had great fun learning all about different apparatus, balancing on the beam and even jumping into a deep foam pit.



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

Excellence Endeavour Service to School

Celebration Certificates

EYCJ Nell T
EYR Bella B

1/2B Freddie M
1/2C Heidi K
1/2T Harley J

Star Readers

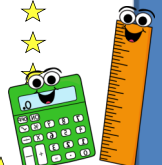
EYCJ Elsie A
EYR Oakley H
1/2B Reggie C
1/2C Dayaan N
1/2T Imaan I

Wonderful Writers

EYCJ Joshua F
EYR Jacob S
1/2B Delilah L
1/2C Laura I
1/2T Emil C

Maths Marvels

EYCJ Ollie N
EYR Joseph D
1/2B Logan J
1/2C Hannah O
1/2T Harvey T



Early Years



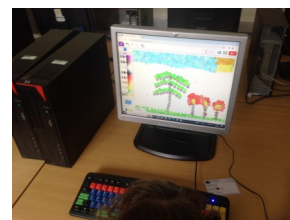
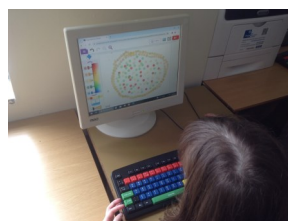
This week EYU have explored the book 'The Gingerbread Man'.

Children made and decorated their own Gingerbread man.



Year 2

In computing we have been learning about different art styles, today Year 2's learnt about pointillism and we created some beautiful pictures using these techniques.



NHS places available

Local dentist is offering NHS places for children under 16.

The dentist is : Dewsbury Dental Care, 15 Halifax Road, Dewsbury, West Yorkshire, WF13 2JH

Call and book during the month of March : Tel. 01924 465880 with the quote MAR2024.

<https://www.nhs.uk/services/dentist/dewsbury-dental-centre/V011259>



BOOK & BISCUIT MORNING

INVITATION

Tuesday 5 March 2024

08:45 - 09:00 am

This will be a great opportunity for you to read a book with your child, either from the reading areas in class / from the reading scheme / a book from the library or they may even bring a book in from home.

Please feel free to come and have a chat with our reading lead about how to help your child develop a love of reading and a coffee from 09:00 - 09:15 am.



LENTEN

BUN SALE

Wednesday 21 February	Year 6
Wednesday 28 February	Year 5
Wednesday 6 March	Year 4
Wednesday 13 March	Year 3
Friday 15 March	EYU & KSI

FofSP - Valentine's Total



Friends of St. Paulinus managed to raise £ 228.00 from the KS2 Valentine's Disco, which took place on Friday 9 February at The Parochial Hall. Thank you to everyone that managed to attend and support this event.

IMPORTANT DATES



Add these dates to your Diary

Tuesday 5 March

08:45 - 09:00
09:00 - 09:30

Parents Invite:

Book & Biscuit Event followed by chat & coffee

Wednesday 6 March



Year 4 Lenten Bun Sale

Wednesday 6 March

FofSP Mother's Day gifts on sale

(see separate letter / also on School App & website)

Thursday 7 March

World Book Day 'Non-Uniform Day'

(see School App / website for more info on this event)

Sunday 10 March

Mother's Day

Wednesday 13 March



Year 3 Lenten Bun Sale

Friday 15 March

09:15 - 10:30

EYFS & KS1 Parents Invite: Lenten Coffee Morning

(see separate letter / also on School App & website)

** PARENTS INVITE **

We would love to invite you to attend our Easter performances :

EYFS Palm Sunday	Tuesday 19 March	09:30
Year 3 Palm Sunday	Tuesday 19 March	14:00
Year 1 Zacchaeus	Wednesday 20 March	09:30
Year 4 Last Supper	Wednesday 20 March	14:00
Year 2 Last Supper	Thursday 21 March	09:30
Year 6 Agony in the Garden	Thursday 21 March	14:00
Year 5 Stations of the Cross	Friday 22 March	09:30
	** perf. repeated	14:00

World Book Day / Non Uniform

We will be celebrating 'World Book Day' on **Thursday 7 March**. World Book Day is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and reading. It is celebrated in over 100 countries all over the world.

We'd like the children to dress up 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. [Click here for more information](#)



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	Thurs. 2 May 2024
May Day	Mon. 6 May 2024
INSET Day	Mon. 22 July 2024

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.

Mother's Day Event



The Friends of St Paulinus (FofSP) is a fundraising group, made up of family members and staff who raise funds to provide extra resources and activities for pupils.

There are currently four fundraising events each year. There is a Father's Day gift sale, Halloween Disco, Fun 'n' Buns afternoon in November and a Mother's Day gift sale in school.

This year's Mother's Day event will take place on **Wednesday 6 March** during school hours. Please provide your child with a £1.00 on the day, so that they are able to buy a wrapped Mother's Day gift.

Gifts are limited ... once they are gone, they're gone ! So please remember to send your child with their money on this day.

Money raised is spent on fun and educational activities and equipment for the children.

