



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'

Spring Term 2, Week 4

15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Head's welcome

Our Virtue to live by for next week is:  
*Reflection / Holy Week Assemblies*

Wow, is it just me or is this term really flying by?!! This week we started our week with Year 3 leading us in the next part of our Lenten journey. We reflected on a particular Bible passage that reminds us that God did not send his only son, Jesus, to the world in order to judge the world, but instead he was here to help us understand how we can lead a good life and care for our fellow people. This week we begin thinking about the sacrifice that Jesus will ultimately make for us at Easter, we begin to call to mind that belief that he came here to save us, to teach us and to show us how to look after one another and all of God's creation. Perhaps this week, you can talk as a family about what you can do and what you already do to help one another and to help those in need across our world.

Last week, we had a great competition in school "Battle of the Words". Every class chose 1 word to submit to the competition - they all needed to know the word, be able to say what it means and be able to use it in a sentence. We had some fabulous words!! The winning words got a £30 voucher to spend on books for their book corner and the children got some extra break for working so hard! I wonder if your child can remember their class word or any of the other winning words?!!

Well done St. Paulinus, another fabulous week where you are shining your light for everyone to see, I am very proud of you! Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Hayes

### 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>



### Attendance

Our whole school attendance for 4 - 8 March was 94.83%, and attendance so far 94.75%

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: | 88.8% | N-EYR: | 92.0% | R-EYCJ: | 91.9% | R-EYR: | 95.0% |
|                               |       | 1/2B:   | 91.0% | 1/2C:  | 99.0% | 1/2T:   | 95.1% |        |       |
|                               | KS2 - | 3J:     | 95.3% | 3W:    | 96.3% | 4H:     | 100%  | 4SI:   | 89.2% |
|                               |       | 5T:     | 97.3% | 5W:    | 92.3% | 6H:     | 98.0% | 6S:    | 92.0% |



For their attendance last week, the winners 4H 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/>

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## 5th Sunday of Lent, Year B

## SHARING GOD'S GOSPEL



Jesus said, "Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves their life loses it; anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. Whoever serves me, must follow me; wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour them. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all people to myself." By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

**"Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds."**

*Pope Francis*

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

### Excellence Endeavour Service to School

### Celebration Certificates

EYCJ Mia-Rose D

EYR Arissa H

1/2B Harvey F

1/2C Mohammed M

1/2T Clayton-Jax B

### Star Readers

EYCJ Alisha K

EYR Jacob J

1/2B Joy F

1/2C Azaan H

1/2T Umaimah N

### Wonderful Writers

EYCJ Kalen J

EYR John F

1/2B Chantelle B-R

1/2C Natan S

1/2T Labiqa A

### Maths Marvels

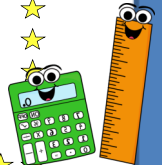
EYCJ Salahuddin A

EYR Joseph D

1/2B Arabella H

1/2C Ezra L

1/2T Sufiyan A



## Years 5 & 6 Speed Stacking Festival

Some of our children were due to take part in the above sporting event at Batley Sports Centre on Tuesday, however this was cancelled and in its place we did multi-skills instead.

The children had great fun taking part in various activities such as chest pushes, skipping, hockey and cricket - as well as one go at cup stacking!



### Mother's Day Gifts

The Friends of St Paulinus (FofSP) managed to raise £373.50 from the sale of their Mother's Day gifts last week. We hope that you all loved the gift.



### 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.

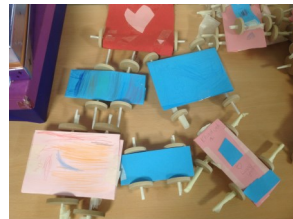
## Early Years

This term we have been focusing on traditional tales and last week we explored 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We enjoyed listening to the story and using the puppets to retell the story using our best character voices, "Fee Fi Fo Fum!" We planted our own broad bean and will be taking good care of it over the next few weeks to see if it grows into a magical beanstalk. We also had lots of fun working together to construct a huge beanstalk in our classrooms. We made paper chains, cut out and decorated leaves, painted kitchen rolls and then attached them altogether. It was lots of fun.



## Years 1 & 2

Here we are making a prototype for our vehicles in DT. We made a working axle, axle holder with wheels and a chassis.



## EYFS & KS1 Lenten Coffee Fundraiser



What a busy morning we had at the KS1 & EYFS Lenten Buns sale. Thank you to the Mini Vinnies for running the stalls.



Thank you also to everyone who sent in buns and Easter Eggs, and who came and supported the event. We will have a total for all the Lenten bun sales ASAP



## 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:

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Department for Education



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# IMPORTANT DATES



Add these dates to your Diary

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday<br/>19 - 20 March<br/>15:30 - 17:50</b>    | <b>Parents Evening:<br/>EYR, Years 1 - 6</b>               |
| <b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday<br/>19 &amp; 21 March<br/>15:30 - 17:50</b> | <b>Parents Evening:<br/>EYCJ</b>                           |
| <b>Friday 22 March</b>  | <b>Normal finishing times<br/>EYFS 15:05<br/>KS2 15:10</b> |
| <b>Monday 25 March<br/>- Fri. 6 April</b>                             | <b>Easter Holidays</b>                                     |
| <b>Sunday 31 March</b>  | <b>Clocks<br/>"spring forward"</b>                         |
| <b>Monday 8 April</b>   | <b>School re-opens</b>                                     |

# 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                |

## \*\* 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 |

Please arrive at least 10 minutes before the start to enjoy the whole performance(s).

## 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.



## Regular Attendance is critical

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.