



St Paul's C.E. First School
Newsletter ~ Friday 17th November 2017
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School News

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week in school and we started the week with our Odd-socks Day to emphasise to children that to be a little bit different is good! We have also used assembly time to think about the importance of being kind and that if children do think that they or others are being bullied to talk to a trusted adult. Please see the school website for pictures from the day. On Wednesday 22nd November the NCPC are in school to present a workshop on e-safety which will of course look at how best to prevent online bullying as well as other areas of concern to parents whose children are accessing the internet. We finished the week thinking about others too with Children in Need Day.

Photo Gallery on the Web Site

Please keep checking the web site regularly for updates.

Children in Need

The children and staff all looked fabulous in their pyjamas and we managed to raise lots of money for this great cause whilst also having lots of fun. Mrs Langford and the School Council had a Cake Sale and organised a Guess the Member of Staff Game where the children looked at baby photos and had to name the member of staff. For photos of the day please see the school website. Thank you to all of our families for your kind donations and we will let you know how much was raised in next week's newsletter.

Open Day

For parents interested in applying for Nursery and Reception places for September 2018 we are holding an open day on Saturday 9th December 2017 10:00am - 12:00pm.

Before and After school club information and application packs for nursery will be available on the day.

Worship

Humility

This week the focus in worship has been on being kind. The children have been asked to think about how they could show kindness to others.

Prayer of the Week

Dear God
We pray for compassion and humility in our hearts. Let us be kind, gentle, generous, loving, giving and forgiving wherever we may go.
Amen

Safeguarding Children

A reminder to parents that we are holding two online safety workshops in school on Wednesday 22nd November in the Year 3 classroom at 4:00pm and 5:30pm. Parents are asked to enter via the Key Stage 2 door due to a club taking place in the hall.

If you have not yet returned the letter, please return this to the office as soon as possible.

Remembrance Day

It was lovely to see children from school paying their respects last Sunday at the Remembrance Day Service. Thank you to all those that attended.

Christmas Fayre

Our annual Christmas Fayre will be on Friday 1st December at 3:30pm in the school hall.

As always we would like to ask parents to help by donating items in the weeks building up to the Fayre in exchange for the children coming to school in non-uniform.

Friday 24th November - bottle donations for the tombola.

Friday 1st December - cakes or sweets/chocolate for refreshment stalls.

The Christmas Fayre will run from 3:30pm- 6:00pm. Please come along and join us for tombolas, class stalls

Christmas Productions

The Early Years Nativity play will be on Wednesday 13th December at 9:30am in the hall.

The Key Stage 1 production will be on Thursday 14th December at 9:30am and repeated on Friday 15th December at 2:00pm.

The Key Stage 2 Carol Concert will be on Thursday 14th December at 2:00pm and repeated on Friday 15th December at 9:30am.

Star of Week

Well done to our stars of the week. Their teachers have been really impressed with their work.



Morning Nursery - Toby for being kind and caring to others.

Afternoon Nursery - Jack for paying attention to detail.

Reception - John Levi for persevering when spelling in phonics.

Year 1 - Mya for being kind and helpful to her friends.

Year 2 - Ella for trying really hard in maths working with money.

Year 3 - Isabelle for having an excellent 'can do' attitude.

Year 4 - Jessica for working well with others and always being helpful and kind.

Handwriting

Well done to Spencer and Harry in Year 3 for achieving your pen licences this week.

Nursery Parents Evening

The nursery parents evening is on 27th November 3:30pm - 6:00pm.

Birches Valley Trip

Packed lunch orders for the Santa Trip (Nursery and Reception classes) need to be in by 1st December.

Weekly Attendance

Monday 13th November to Friday 17th November

Reception -

Year 1 - 98% Year 2 - 96%

Year 3 - 97% Year 4 - 98%

The classes with the highest attendance are Year 1 and Year 4. Well done!

Bikes and Scooters

A reminder to parents that bikes and scooters are not permitted on the school playground for safety reasons and can be left at the 'Park Station' on the far end of the car park by the

Pobble



Well done to this week's published authors:

Year 1 - Theo

Year 2 - James and Lucy

Year 3 - Ella

Year 4 - Emily T

Topic Workshops

The seasonal Topic Workshop for Reception parents is on Friday 24th November at 10:30 - 11:30 and repeated at 2:00 - 3:00.

The Potions Topic Workshop for Year 4 is on Wednesday 29th November at 1:30pm. **Please return the slip to say if you are able to attend so that Miss Barrett knows how many to expect.**

We look forward to seeing as many parents there as possible.

Grandparents' Lunches

6th December 2017 - Nursery/Reception

24th January 2018 - Year 1

14th March 2018 - Year 2

Years 3 and 4 dates to follow.

Mother's Day Lunches

6th March 2018 - Nursery/Reception

7th March 2018 - Years 1 and 2

8th March 2018 - Years 3 and 4

School Office Update

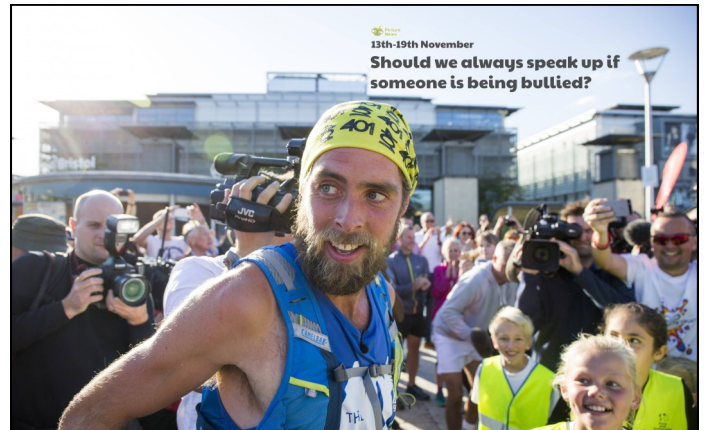
Mrs Jeanette Pace will be in the school office on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Mrs Julie Elphick will be in the school office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The office staff can be contacted on the following email address: office@st-pauls-coven.staffs.sch.uk

British Values

This week's British Values focuses on mutual respect. We will be looking at this in school but invite parents to share these images with their child at home. Children are invited to send in any work that they may have done at home to go on our British Values display board.



Diary Dates

November

- Wednesday 22nd November 4pm and 5:30 pm - NSPCC Parent Workshop—Online Safety
Monday 27th November 3:30pm - 6:00pm - Nursery Parents Evening

December

- Friday 1st December Nursery Toy Sale 3:30pm - 6:00pm
Wednesday 6th December Grandparents Lunches - Nursery/Reception 12:00pm - 12:45pm
Thursday 7th December Children to visit St Paul's church to decorate the Christmas tree
Friday 8th December Nursery and Reception Trip to Birches Valley to visit Father Christmas
Wednesday 13th December 9:30am - Nursery & Reception Christmas Production
Thursday 14th December 9:30am - KS1 Production (Y1 & Y2)
Thursday 14th December 2:00pm - KS2 Production (Y3 & Y4)
Friday 15th December 9:30am - KS2 Production (Y3 & Y4)
Friday 15th December 2:00pm - KS1 Production (Y1 & Y2)
Monday 18th December KS1 Party morning - Y1 and Y2 to wear party clothes for the day
Monday 18th December KS2 Party afternoon - Y3 and Y4 to wear party clothes for the day
Tuesday 19th December Nursery & Reception Party Morning - N/R to wear party clothes for the day
Tuesday 19th December Toys & Games Day for Y1-Y4
Tuesday 19th December School closes for the Christmas Break

January

- Wednesday 3rd January Children return to school
Tuesday 9th January Year 4 at Young Voices
Wednesday 24th January Grandparents Lunches - Year 1 12:00pm - 12:45pm



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Open Morning

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10:00am - 12:00pm

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Please come along and join us
Everyone welcome

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