



St Paul's C.E. First School
Newsletter ~ Friday 1st December 2017
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School News

It has been lovely to see (and hear) the school come alive this week as our Christmas production practices step up a gear! Based on the lovely singing coming from the hall, I think we are all in for a real treat when we see the final performances!

Parents should all have received letters this week enabling them to order tickets for the productions. I would like to remind parents that phones, video recorders and cameras will not be permitted into the hall for the performances, so please do not be offended when you are asked to hand these in on the day. This rule applies to all visitors who come into school on a daily basis.

Christmas Tree Decorating at St Paul's Church

The whole school will visit St Paul's Church on Thursday 7th December during the morning to put decorations on the Christmas tree.

If any parents would like to walk with us, please meet us on the school car park just before the departure time.

Nursery & Year 4—9:15 am to 10:00 am
Reception & Year 3—10:15 to 11:00 am
Year 1 and Year 2: 11:15 am to 12:00 pm

Kind Donation

The school would like to say a big thank you to Richard Bunce, the M.D. at Mec Com Limited in Hixon for his kind donation of £500 towards school fund.

This donation, along with all of the other generous donations from parents, will go towards our outdoor canopy in the Early Years outdoor learning environment as well as other school resources.

Worship

This week is Worship we have been learning about Christingle and how Jesus said that all Christians are the 'light of the world'.

Prayer of the Week

Dear Lord,
Thank you that you love the world and that you love me.
Please help me to show your love to everyone I meet.
That I may shine like Jesus, for those in need.
Amen.

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

This year we will be having our school Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 12th December. We would like the children to wear a Christmas jumper on this day as well with the rest of their normal school uniform.



St Paul's First School Open Morning

Saturday 9th December 2017
10:00am - 12:00pm

For parents who are interested in applying for Nursery or Reception places for September 2018

Before and after-school club information and application packs for Nursery will be available to collect on the day

Please come along and join us
Everyone welcome

Contact us on 01902 790253
or office@st-pauls-coven.staffs.sch.uk for more information

Star of Week

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



Morning Nursery - Polly for trying hard in all that she does.

Afternoon Nursery - Emmy for being kind and caring to everyone in Nursery.

Reception - Ella for fantastic cursive handwriting.

Year 1 - Jessey for persevering with his work, particularly in maths.

Year 2 - James for learning all of his lines for the play and always being ready for his turn.

Year 3 - Sadie for trying hard in everything that she does.

Year 4 - Olivia for challenging herself in her learning and being a fantastic role model to others.

Dance Club

Parents of dancers are welcome to attend assembly on 11th December at 2:45pm to see their child perform their dance routines from the after school club.

Pobble



Well done to this week's published authors:

Year 1 - Mya

Year 2 - Ethan

Year 3 - Gracie

Year 4 - Billy

Year 2 Open Classroom

Parents and carers are invited into Year 2 at 3:20 pm on Monday 18th December to see all the topic work that the children have produced during this half term.

Christingle Service

A reminder to families that there will be a Christingle Service at St Paul's Church on Sunday 3rd December at 6pm. Children in Years 3 and 4 will be singing as part of the service and children in other year groups are very welcome to come along and join in as well!

We hope to see lots of you there on Sunday!

Advice to parents: YouTube Videos

Last week we sent out a really useful information sheet to parents about some concerns that had been raised regarding inappropriate YouTube video clips that have been aimed at children.

An NSPCC spokesperson has advised that parents should monitor what their kids are watching and warned that inappropriate content could sometimes slip through, even if they were using an app like YouTube Kids.

Weekly Attendance

Monday 27th November to Friday 1st December.

Reception - 87%

Year 1 - 81% Year 2 - 83%

Year 3 - 86% Year 4 - 82%

The class with the highest attendance is Reception. Well done!

Children in Need



This year we raised £ 212.93 for Children in Need.

Thank you again for supporting this great charity with your generous donations.

Birches Valley Trip

A reminder that Nursery and Reception are visiting Birches Valley on Friday 8th December. Children are to wear their school jumper, sensible trousers and wellies.

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

Letters/details to follow.

Author Visit

On Thursday 7th December Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 will receive a visit from the author Danny Thompson. As previously advised copies of his book can be ordered ready to collect on the day.

British Values

This week's British Values focuses on the Rule of Law. 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

December

Wednesday	6th	December	Grandparents Lunches - Nursery/Reception at 12:00pm - 12:45pm
Thursday	7th	December	Children to visit St Paul's church to decorate the Christmas tree
Thursday	7th	December	Author visit to Y1, 2, 3 and 4
Friday	8th	December	Nursery and Reception Trip to Birches Valley to visit Father Christmas
Friday	8th	December	School Disco - Nursery, Reception and Year 1 5pm - 6pm
Friday	8th	December	School Disco—Years 2, 3 and 4 6:15pm - 7:15pm
Saturday	9th	December	Open Day for Nursery and Reception Parents for September 2018 places
Wednesday	13th	December	9:30am - Nursery & Reception Christmas Production
Wednesday	13th	December	Year 3 to sing at Coven Court—2:00 pm
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 at 12:00pm - 12:45pm



December 2017

12TH DECEMBER.

Festive Menu

Choose a main meal...

Roast Breast of Staffordshire Turkey
with Roast Gravy,
Sausages in a Blanket, Sage & Onion Stuffing
& Cranberry Sauce

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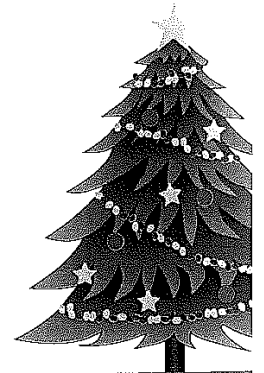
Quorn Roast with Cranberry Sauce ✓

on the side...

Crispy Roast Potatoes & Buttered Mash
Roasted Parsnips
Baton Carrots & Garden Peas

for dessert...

Snowman Ice-Cream
or
Festive Pudding & Custard



Celebrate your Christmas lunch with a
complimentary Christmas napkin