



St Pauls CE (C) Primary School

Learning and growing together in God's love



"Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him"

Colossians 2:7

Weekly Newsletter - Autumn Term – Friday 27th September 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Good afternoon, everyone,

What another busy week at St Pauls.

Homework:

Thankyou to everyone who came to our 'Meet the Teacher drop-in'. It was really successful with lots of parents in attendance and it was so lovely to see conversations happening around the school. All documentation was sent out to parents. We will also be sending out TTRS log-ins. Please support your children in practising their times tables.

Coffee Morning:

On Monday we have our coffee morning beginning at 9:15am. This is a chance for parents to get together for a chat whilst raising money for charity. Cakes will be on sale for parents during the morning and the children and staff at playtime.

PE Kits

The children are looking so smart in their PE Kits. Please can we remind everyone to have their PE kit in school, with all items labelled with your child's name, and winter kit (joggers and hoodies) to be black. Children cannot take part in PE with earrings in due to health and safety precautions.

SEND

This week, if your child has additional needs and is on the SEND register, they will have received a letter. Your response to this is very important in supporting your child in the best way possible. If you need another copy or would like it emailed, please just ask. If you would like to meet with our SENDCO, Mrs Nevins-Stanford, she works with us in school on Mondays and Thursdays.

Finally, a reminder that our Harvest Church Service is on Tuesday 8th October. It would be lovely to see you all there. This week I have met with our Christian Distinctiveness Adviser who will be in school working with myself, the staff and children on how we can move forward with our Church vision and ethos. We will keep you informed throughout as we begin our journey as being a Church School really is such an important part of life at St Pauls Primary School.

As always if you do have any questions please call or pop into the office. Continue to check messages and emails as we aim to give as much information as possible about what's happening at St Pauls.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Gaskell and the St Pauls Team.

Whole School
Weekly Attendance

99.1%

OUR WEEKLY
WINNERS!

R,1,2,3,4

Class	%
Reception – Mrs Fletcher	100%
Year ½ - Miss Goddard	100%
Year ¾ - Mr Connolly	100%
Year 5 – Mrs Gull	99.3%
Year 6 – Miss Wetton	95.8%

Being in school every day is so important to ensure children have the best chance possible of achieving well and reaching their potential.



This term our target as a school is 96%. To help children to achieve this we will be inviting parents into school to speak with Miss Gaskell to look at ways in which we can support to raise the attendance of your child. We will be launching attendance awards and leading assemblies with the children so that they understand the importance of being in school every day and on time.



Diary Dates

Monday 30th September

Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:15am

Tuesday 8th October 10:00am

Harvest Church Service – all welcome

- Forest school kits every Friday for Reception and Year 1/2
- PE kits should now all be in school. These will remain in school until half term. A reminder that winter kit (leggings, joggers and hoodies etc) should be black
- All children in KS2 should be wearing ties
- School shoes should be black
- Reading books brought into school every day

Class	Winner!
Reception	Lumen
Year 1	Evan
Year 2	Isaac
Year 3	Piper
Year 4	Freddie
Year 5	Marsie
Year 6	Viki

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Values Award

Congratulations

For being a shining rainbow in our learning community, showing the value

Respect of _____

Excellence

Perseverance

Belief and Courage

Equality

Honest

Friendship and Love

Swords of Success Award

Congratulations

Their excellence in building their knowledge and skills in

Respect
Excellence
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Class	Winner!
Reception	Kayson
Year 1	Mohammad
Year 2	Mila
Year 3	Harley
Year 4	Pierre
Year 5	Rami
Year 6	Rosella





LOOK what we're LEARNING!

Reception

This week in Reception we have been busy learning all about the signs of Autumn that we are starting to see. We have enjoyed lots of Autumn art activities, thinking carefully about the colours and created the start of a lovely Autumn display on our classroom.

We also linked our Autumn learning to our maths and have been sorting all of our Autumn objects in different ways.

In our Forest School sessions we are also looking at signs of Autumn and even found some holes where the resident squirrels have hidden their nuts ready for Winter!

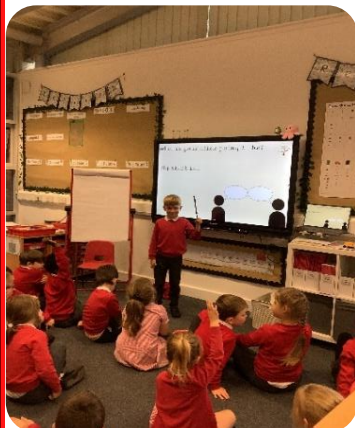
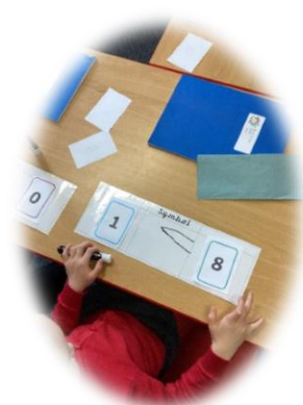


Year 1 and 2



What a busy week we've had in Year 1 and 2 this week! The children have continued to work hard in lessons and take on new challenges each day.

This week in Maths, the children have been exploring greater than, less than and the same. They have been comparing objects before moving on to comparing numbers. Children have understood this concept exceptionally well and enjoyed using the practical equipment to show their understanding.



We introduced our new text in English 'Stanley's Stick'. Children had the opportunity to think about how they could transform a stick through their imagination. We have been focusing on oracy this week and children have been verbally rehearsing their sentences and phrases before writing.

In PSHE, the children learnt about road safety. As well as coming up with a set of rules to follow when crossing a road, some children also created a drama piece to demonstrate how to cross a road safely. Children thoroughly enjoyed this drama activity and the end result was amazing! We continued our Art topic 'Spirals', and this week children used oil pastels and chalk to create snail drawings.



The class also got the opportunity to use the new school iPads as part of our Computing lesson. We focused on naming the different parts of a computer and also how we drag and drop items on a screen.

Another amazing week, well done Year 1 and 2!



Year 3 and Year 4



Year 3/4 have had a fantastic week full of exciting learning experiences!

In English, we began a new book, *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick* by Chris Van Allsburg, using it as inspiration for creating spooky setting descriptions. The students really engaged with the eerie atmosphere of the story.

In Science, we tackled challenges involving simple electrical circuits, learning how to solve problems with various components.

We also continued our history unit on the Stone Age, comparing life during the Palaeolithic and Mesolithic periods.

In Geography, we explored some of the UK's most famous physical and human geographical features.

In Art, we studied the intricate designs of William Morris and had a go at replicating his beautiful patterns. The children were especially excited to use iPads for the first time on our new Reading Plus platform, which has just been introduced in school.



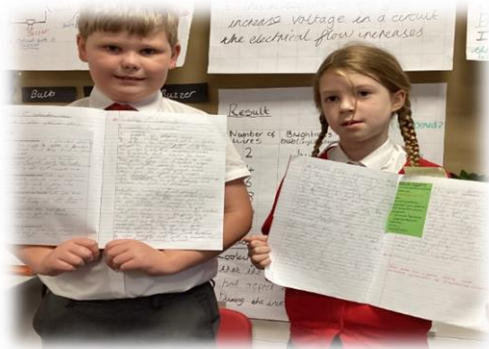


Year 5 and Year 6



In Year 5 children have worked hard to produce exciting stories based on their core text, which was called 'The Journey.' Children have been learning to write expanded noun phrases, similes, Metaphors and personification. They worked hard to include these into their setting descriptions.

In Science, children are continuing their learning on electrical circuits. This week we have planned and carried out an investigation to find out if different components can affect the brightness of bulbs. Children enjoyed testing their predictions and writing conclusions about their findings.



Year 6 have been using the iPads to support their learning in maths, English and music! We have finished off our place value unit in maths, began writing formal sentences about Mongolia for our non-chronological report and learnt parts of the song 'living on a prayer' on the GarageBand keyboard!





Forest FRIDAYS



What's on in the Autumn Term?

Extra-curricular enrichment clubs

Monday

Multi-skills/Netball

Y3, 4, 5 & 6

Tuesday

PALS Dance Club

Y1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

Wednesday

Football

Y1, 2 & 3

Thursday

Lunchtime Choir

Football

Y4, 5 & 6

Friday

Forest School

Y3, 4, 5 & 6



We would be so grateful if you could download the Asda Rewards App and join our Cashpot for St Pauls.

We already have **£109.54** in the pot which is amazing, and this money will come straight back into school!

Please ask at the office if you need any help in how to support us.

SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS

If you have any Safeguarding concerns, please contact Miss Gaskell (DSL) 01785 337436
Or
Staffordshire Safeguarding Board 0300 1118007



Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



SEND Questions

If you have any questions about your child regarding Special Educational Needs, please contact
Mrs Nevins-Stanford (SENDCo)
01785 337436



Please click on the links below to watch a video about the Flu Vaccination – sent through from our local NHS Team.

Student information: <https://youtu.be/JepMe0BkDil>

Parent information: <https://youtu.be/dnqfhcdLZvs>

