



# 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 - Spring Term - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### Message from the Headteacher

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

Firstly, I'd like to thank each and every one of the St Pauls family for making me feel so welcome. All members of staff have smiled and positively embraced the changes so far, the children have shown engagement and enthusiasm and those parents, family members and carers who I have met with or seen on the playground - your smiles and conversation have made me feel so welcome. I can't believe I have only been here for a week!

Over the coming weeks you will be kept fully up to date of the journey we are on. You will have a chance to meet leaders and ask questions and most importantly know what the children are learning and the positive behaviour choices they are making. This week we have focussed on our learning behaviours and launched our new behaviour system. I am sure you have heard from your children how excited they are to be getting 'dojos'. Please see the attached information regarding our new values and how to log into dojo so you can see the amazing progress they are making. Next week you will be sent a link to the behaviour policy rewards and consequence flowchart.

If your child is on the SEND register and has a personalised ILP, Mrs Nevins-Stanford our SENDCo, would like to invite you on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January between 1:00pm and 3:15pm. This will be for the chance to talk about your child's personalised plan and talk about their targets. Please book through the school office if you would like to meet.

Reading books will be going home next week. We have spent the time assessing your children to see where they currently are with their reading ability so that their home reader is well-matched. We are also very lucky that we have had a delivery of new home readers – and more are on their way! Reading is so important for a child's development and your support at home is both welcomed and encouraged.

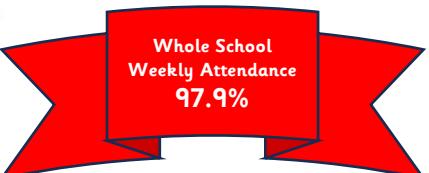
Each week in the newsletter we will try to give as much information as possible to help you to know what is happening in school and what events are coming up, as well as sharing the learning opportunities and special moments of your children.

Should you have any more questions, please do ring the school office and we will be happy to help and support.

Have a wonderful weekend

Miss Gaskell

Class	Attendance
Reception – Mrs McCarthy	97.3%
Year ½ - Mr Farmer	99.3%
Year ¾ - Mrs Carr	99.4%
Year 5 – Mrs Gul	100%
Year 6 – Mr Reynolds	93.2%



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

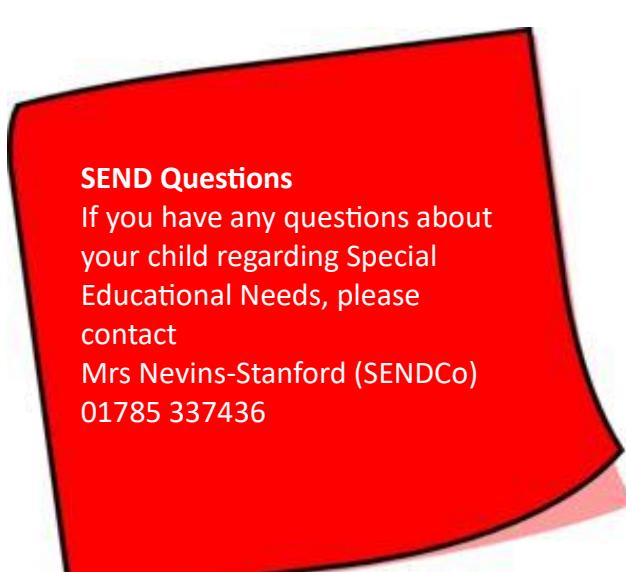
This term our target as a school is 96%. To help children to achieve this we will be inviting parents into school to speak with Miss Gaskell to look at ways in which we can support to raise the attendance of your child. We will be launching attendance awards and leading assemblies with the children so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








Class	Winner!
Reception	Victor
Year 1	Francesca
Year 2	Rupert
Year 3	Hana
Year 4	Tyler
Year 5	Jessica
Year 6	Riley



*"I have placed my rainbow in the clouds. It is the sign of my covenant with you and with all the earth."*

Genesis 9:13



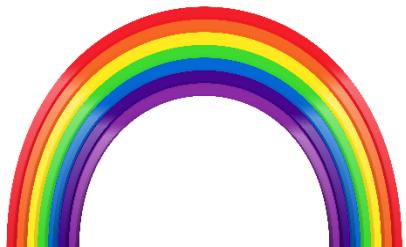
This week we have introduced the children to our new values and launched our positive behaviour system.

We have used the Christian value of Respect to underpin our set of school values and the rainbow which symbolises hope. Our scripture led us to use the tree as the visual representation to create the visual display in class.

Having a set of values is extremely important in helping us guide our way to making positive choices and decisions.

Our worship this week has focused on making sure the children know and understand each value, their meaning and how they can show these important values when making choices in both their learning and play throughout the day.

All of this is tracked both visually using the tree display in each classroom and on Class Dojo – an online behaviour system. Lots of positive moments throughout the day are rewarded with dojo points. Today you will have received your invite to Class Dojo – an app that can be downloaded onto a device at home. By joining using the QR code and following the instructions, you will then be able to keep up-to-date with your child's behaviour in school. We would like all parents across school to be connected so if you have any problems please see your class teacher or come into the office where we can support the download.



**Respect** - treat someone as you want to be treated

**Excellence** - to have high expectations be the best you can be

**Perseverance** - never give up

**Belief and Courage** - to be brave

**Equality** - even though we are all different we are all treated the same

**Honest** - to tell the truth

**Friendship and Love** - a relationship between two people who care for each other



*Dear Parents,*

*On Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023, you will have received a letter to ask for your views on St Paul's academizing with St Bartholomew's CE Multi-Academy Trust. If you would like to comment on this proposal, or if you have any suggestions or observations you would like to make, then please put them to me in writing via office@st-pauls-stafford.staffs.sch.uk or by post. The consultation period ends on Tuesday 23rd January 2024.*

*All information regarding this proposal and the consultation process can be found on the school website.*

<https://st-pauls-ce-c-primary-school.secure-primarysite.net/conversion/>

*Thank you for your continued support.*