



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 - Summer Term – Friday 14th June 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Good afternoon everyone,

Well even though it was sad to postpone our sports day, I think we will all agree with the decision! What rain we have had in Stafford today – and yet we had the most beautiful blue sky and sunshine after school.

The children have been working incredibly hard this week with some new things we have introduced as part of our learning journey at St Pauls.

In worship and RE we have introduced 'Windows, Mirrors and Doors', ways in which we can help children to think about our world around us, learn, take time to reflect and then go out and make a difference.

We have also introduced 'Tree of Learning' - roots, trunks and branches. Roots ensure we have deep-rooted knowledge and our prior learning; the trunks are our new vocabulary which are needed to succeed in understanding our learning and the branches are the new learning opportunities we have every day.

Please talk to your children to find out more and we will be sending some leaflets out to explain next week.

We have started a new journey in Art learning about all of the elements, a new music and French curriculum and a everyone has started their new English journey with a new text.

Wow! What a week we have had! I said to the children in worship today how proud I am of our journey so far. Our value of the week is Excellence and our vision for the children is always about being the very best they can be. All we ask as I know you do is if they have tried their best that is all we can ask. Lottie told the story of Daniel in worship this week – who had to show wisdom and patience in order to succeed. A true example of excellence.

Our class news stories this week as always shows this important value.

Have a lovely weekend

Take care

Miss Gaskell and the St Pauls Team.

Class	%
Reception – Mrs McCarthy	92%
Year ½ - Mr Farmer	98.6%
Year ¾ - Mrs Place and Mrs Nevins-Stanford	93.5%
Year 5 – Mrs Gull	92.6%
Year 6 – Mr Reynolds	90%

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.



OUR WEEKLY WINNERS!

Y1/2

Whole School Weekly Attendance

93.7%



Class	Winner!
Reception	Lily
Year 1	Mila
Year 2	Ryan
Year 3	Daisy
Year 4	Jaren
Year 5	Lily
Year 6	Malachy



Values Award

Congratulations

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

Excellence of _____

Perseverance

Belief and Courage

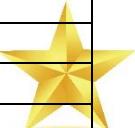
Equality

Honest

Friendship and Love



Class	Winner!
Reception	Daniel
Year 1	Isaac
Year 2	Rupert
Year 3	William
Year 4	Dean
Year 5	Jethro
Year 6	Ayver



Swords of Success Award

Congratulations

Their excellence in building their knowledge and skills in



Our value of the week is...

EXCELLENCE

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

Philippians 4:8

Reception



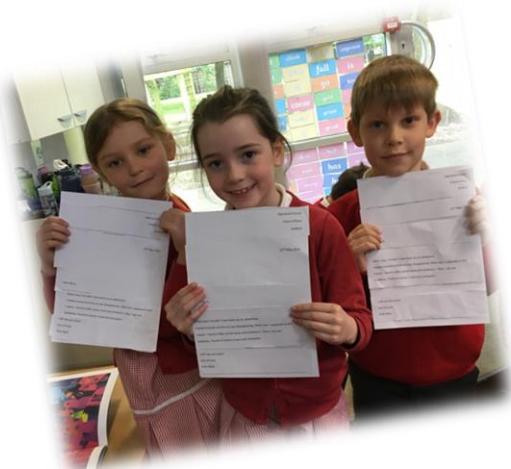
We have been practicing writing sentences more independently. We look at the picture for inspiration, come up with our own sentence, then use our amazing phonics skills to spell each word. We have also been trying to remember finger spaces and sitting our letters on the line. Amazing writing Reception!



We had lots of fun this week comparing things from the past to what we have in our lives now. We looked at the different types of transport, household items and toys. We learnt that there was a time when there was no electricity which we found very strange! We had some lovely group discussions comparing the old photos to the present ones.



In maths we have been finding quarters of objects and quantities. You can see that we were sharing counters between 4 groups to find out what a quarter of an amount is. For this one we worked out that a quarter of 16 is 4.



In Year 1 and 2 this week we have been looking at the features of a letter. Mr Farmer had jumbled all his letters up so we had to fix them for him by cutting them out and putting them in the correct order.

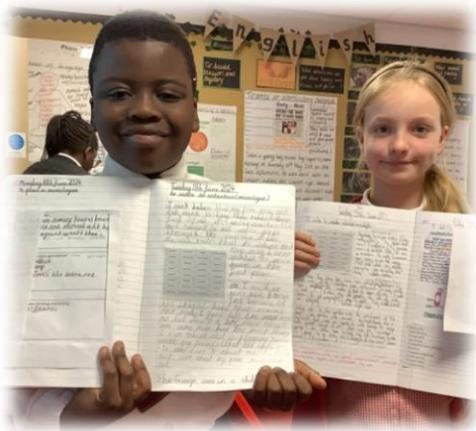


Year 3 and Year 4

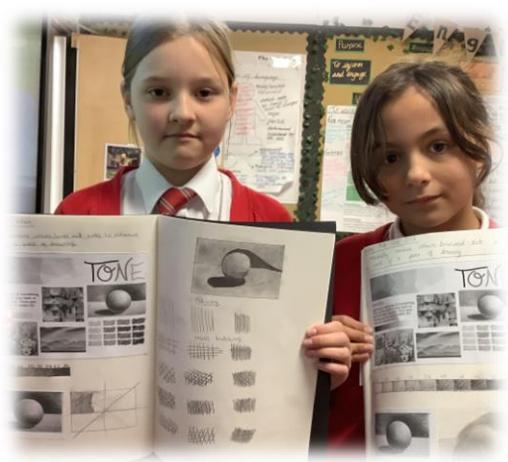


Year 3 and 4 have been trying so hard with their learning this week. We are really proud of how they have settled back into the term. They have loved their sports day practice this week – and even though we didn't get out in the rain today – they most certainly had fun in the hall! Brilliant action shots!

Year 5



In English this week Year 5 have been writing monologues. The children worked hard to think about the feelings, actions and thoughts of their character.



During Art, Year 5 children have been creating grids of different shades, and looking at the darkness and lightness of pencils. They have also been shading to create dimension to objects making them look 3D with shadows and a contrasting background. They used their skills of observations to draw, looking at where things are positioned, where the light and dark points are and the sizing of objects.

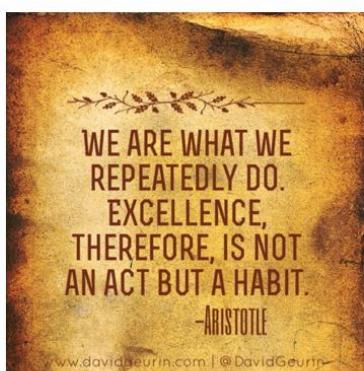
Year 6



A big well done to year 6 for a great week. They have been learning lots about sustainability, decimal numbers and writing their own explanation texts about a strange owl man that lives in a garage. They have also been working really hard for sports day so fingers crossed we get to compete and perform over the next few weeks! Wishing everyone a great weekend. Kind regards, Mr Reynolds.



EXCELLENCE
IS NOT BEING
THE BEST;
IT IS DOING
YOUR BEST.



Excellence
is not a
skill, it's an
attitude.

RALPH MARSTON



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Miss Gaskell (DSL) 01785 337436
Or
Staffordshire Safeguarding Board
0300 1118007



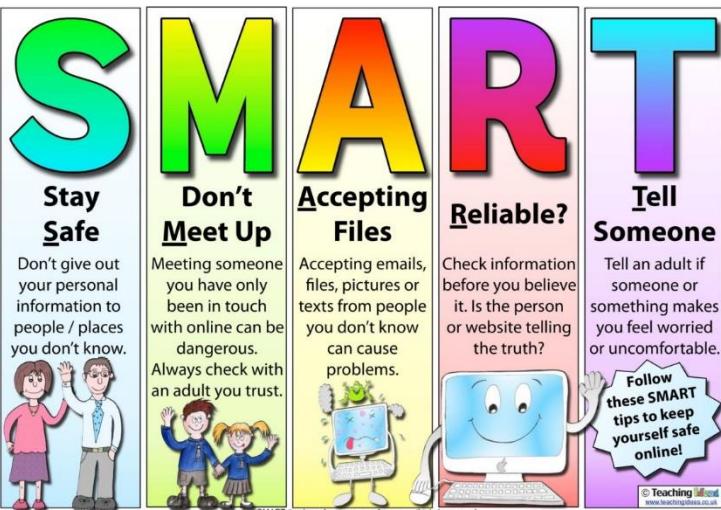
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**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



SEND Questions

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



Please remember to check your child's devices and have parental locks on. It is so important to keep your children safe online – including checking group chat content. Any support please ask