



St. Paul's

C of E Primary School

Newsletter

Jesus said,

**'Let the little children
come to me.'**

MATTHEW 19:13-15

We are all equally important, listened to
and loved by God.



Friday 17th October 2025



Dear Parents/Carers

This week, in Collective Worship, I spoke to the children about the United Nations, as it is the 80th anniversary of being formed. It was perfect timing, as we had just been told of the peace resolution in the Middle East. We also spoke about spreading peace and kindness in our own communities. This gave me an opportunity to celebrate the kindness of a number of our students. Last weekend James, Hugo, Jager, Lucy and Arnie gave up hours of their own time to litter pick around our local area. Thank you to you all for this thoughtful gesture; a real example of sharing our school values.

Yesterday, the children in Key Stages 1 and 2 walked to St Paul's Church to enjoy our Harvest Festival celebration. Thank you, as always, to the Church team for organising and leading on this. Thank you also to those parents that were able to join us for this celebration. All food donations were passed on yesterday to the food bank in time to be distributed. Thank you to everyone who made a donation; I know this is not only appreciated but also sadly needed by many in our community. Next Thursday at 9.15am we will hold the Harvest Festival for our children in EYFS in school.

Next week our Year 6 children will be going on their five day residential. I hope they all have an amazing time, full of moments that challenge them and memories that will stay with them for a long time.

Happy Diwali to those of you celebrating Diwali on Monday.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Bown
Headteacher

Christian Ethos Group

Worship Music

Take some time to listen to some worship music together. You could choose calm songs like 'The Lord's My Shepherd' (Stuart Townsend) or 'Still' (Hillsong). You might like more celebratory worship like 'More than Conquerors' (Rend Collective) or 'Happy Day' (Tim Hughes). Whatever you choose to listen to, think about the words together and what they mean for you.



House Points



St Andrew: 1076



St David: 864

St Patrick: 800



St George: 737



Parents Prayer Meetings

The next parents prayer meetings for this term will take place on:

Monday 3rd November

Thursday 4th December

The meetings will take place in the Breakfast Club room/Prayer Garden at 9.00am - 9.30am. Everyone welcome!

FOOD BANK

We would like donations of instant mash, squash (smaller bottles), tinned vegetables, and washing up liquid. There is a box outside the school office where you can place your donations.

Thank you.

Lateness

This week there have been **337** minutes late. 100 minutes more than last week. Another very, very disappointing result!! These minutes do not include those pupils who came into school after registers close at 9.25am - as they have a different code.

We are carefully monitoring each individual pupils' time-keeping, working with Warwickshire County Council's Attendance Officer. Please see the chart below to show how this affects learning.

If in a school year your child is late everyday...	Your child would have lost approximately...	Or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3.5 days from school	20 lessons
10 minutes	7 days from school	41 lessons
15 minutes	10 days from school	55 lessons
20 minutes	14.5 days from school	82 lessons
30 minutes	22 days from school	123 lessons

PTA

Hi all,

As you know, we are approaching our AGM on the 20th October (8pm at the Sommerville). Did you know all teachers, parents and carers are automatically members of the association? Come along and hear all about what has happened over the last year!

As part of that it would be really useful to have some feedback on activities and events run over the last year, whether you have attended as a volunteer or as a family.

I've set up a quick survey, if you could take 2-3 minutes to answer, it would be really helpful, thank you.

<https://uk.surveymonkey.com/r/TQBXKJV>

Disco tickets are now on sale for Friday 21st November. Buy them here:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stpaulsleamington/index.cfm>

Timings are as follows:

Reception, years 1 and 2: 3.20-4.20

Years 3-6: 4.30-5.30

Unfortunately nursery children are not able to attend the disco.

Sent on behalf of the PTA Co-Chairs

Deb Gunn and Kay Gaywood

St Paul's C of E Primary School PTA

Charity No. 505453



ST PAUL'S
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Sports News

Boys 5/6 Football

by Mr Barnes

On Wednesday our 5/6 boys hosted Milverton in their first league match of the season. I had not read the small print however; and five minutes before kick off I was informed by our opponent's coach that the new league was 7 aside only (5/6 games involving the boys had traditionally been 9 a side). Therefore, we had a squad of 12 to squeeze into 2 x 20 minute halves. This made it tricky to get all the boys an equal amount of game time. Having to constantly make changes put us at a disadvantage, and that was my fault. Back to the football and, after a cagey start from both sides, Milverton took the lead from a well worked corner, and from that point on we were chasing the game. We managed to create two or three really good chances in the second half, but could not get the ball over the line. Despite having most of the ball, Milverton still looked dangerous on the break as we pushed for an equaliser. I could not have asked for more effort from the boys, and their attitude was spot on; even though, for many, game time was not as much as they would have hoped for.

Final score

St Pauls 0 - Milverton 1



Friday 31st October

5pm - 6:30pm

St. Paul's Church CV32 4TE

Come along to our disco themed light party!

**Aimed at primary school age but
siblings welcome**

**Silent disco, crafts, inflatable and
more**





Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We have received the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal poppies and other fund-raising items. These will be on sale from Monday - Thursday next week and the whole week after half-term. Please give generously to this fantastic charity.

Breakfast and ASK Clubs



Can we please, once again, remind parents/carers to adhere to your starting and ending times for our wrap-around care.

Breakfast club starts at 7.30am - and breakfast finishes at 8.10am prompt. Please do not come into school after that time expecting your child to be given breakfast. Staff need to get the premises cleared up before the start of the school day.

Please also be prompt picking your child up at the end of the day. It is unfair on the staff to be kept waiting after 5.30pm as the school then needs to be locked up. If you are persistently late we may introduce fines!!!!

Bikeability Course



A Bikeability course will be taking place during the October half-term - taking place at the SYDNI Centre. This is a fully funded course (there is no cost to the participants) run in conjunction with WCC, to aid children in making short journeys and using their cycles more. Below is a link to the course and further information.

<https://outspokenbookings.co.uk/PublicBooking/Index?v=2e413470-8c04-4206-efce-08dc7663a969&t=&s=&e=>

The Bikeability Level 1 & 2 course is for children in Year 5 (aged 9 and above) and above who can already ride independently without stabilisers. They deliver one-to-one training for children who cannot ride.

All courses are run by first aid and safeguarding trained National Standard Instructors. The course runs over two consecutive days from 10.00am – 2.30pm (4 hours of training) including a 30-minute supervised lunch break each day.

Children receive a realistic cycling experience equipping them with the skills to cycle short journeys. They educate riders on effective observations, understanding road priorities, communicating with other roads users and effective road positioning.

There is no charge for this course for residents of Warwickshire. Participants will need a roadworthy cycle and a helmet, please contact us if you would like to make use of WCC's fleet of cycles available for loan.

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Reminders

Monday 20th - Friday 24th - Year 6 Residential

Monday 20th October - PTA AGM at The Somerville Arms 8.00pm

Thursday 23rd October - EYFS Harvest Service 9.15am - 10.00am

Friday 24th October - Teacher Training Day - School Closed to Pupils

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October Half-Term - School Closed to Pupils

Friday 31st October - Closing Date for Secondary School Applications

Monday 3rd November - School Re-Opens

Monday 3rd November - Parents' Prayer Meeting at 9.00am

Tuesday 4th November 2025 - Parents' Evening

Thursday 6th November - Parents' Evening

Friday 14th November—Years 3 and 4 trip to Cadbury World

Friday 14th November - PTA Bag2School collection

Friday 21st November - PTA School Disco

ATTACHMENTS AND LINKS TO ONLINE RESOURCES

- * For this week's Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8830705?e=3e5007f40c>
- * Link to a padlet put together by EMTAS designed to support newly arrived/EAL families - <https://padlet.com/emtasadmin/warwickshire-support-networks-for-newly-arrived-families-17w1oinhjbndi0yc>
- * PTA Smarties Challenge poster
- * J C Soccer Oct 2025 half-term flyer
- * Butterflies October 2025 Holiday Club
- * Happy News - Issue 109