



St Paul's News



St Paul's Church of England Primary School vision :

Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me' Matthew 19:14.

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



Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. This is possibly my favourite half-term, as it is lovely to work in a Christian school on the run up to Christmas. We will see nativities, church services as well as PTA events such as discos and other fund-raising events. I hope you have the opportunity to join us in school for some of these activities.

On Monday, our recent SIAMS Inspection Report was published. I hope you have had the chance to read this. If you haven't, I would encourage you to take the time to have a read. As a Christian school, this Inspection is very important to us. A SIAMS Inspection focuses on our vision and values, which are key to everything we do at St Paul's. It is for this reason I am delighted with this report, as I feel it truly captures our school and our purpose. Thank you once again to everyone that played a role in this Inspection.

Today, in Collective Worship, I launched a competition to design a logo. At the start of next month we will be linking with St Paul's Church to start hosting an opportunity for families to worship in school on a Sunday. This worship opportunity will be called "Hope". I have asked the children if they would like to design a logo to be used for this purpose. The children can be creative and use their imagination, but must have the word "Hope" central to this logo. The winning design will then be used by the Church for this new Sunday worship group. I'm sure there may be a prize and some house points for the winner as well. The children have until Monday 18th November to get their designs to me.

In my last newsletter before half-term, I launched this year's Shoebox Appeal, in support of the 'Helping Hands' charity. This week we began to receive shoebox donations. If you are already preparing yours, you still have plenty of time, as we need them sent into school before the end of this month. The information is, once again, included in this week's newsletter if you would like to make one.

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This is a local charity that are doing some fantastic work in being thoughtful and kind, and I am hoping that we will continue to support this charity in the future.

Next Friday is Children in Need, and this year's theme is "Challenge". As this is one of our school values, it is only right we support this. So, on Friday, we will be having a Challenge Day, in which class teachers will be setting the children various challenges. We will, of course, be raising money for Children in Need, so if you would like to send in a donation next Friday that would be very welcome. This will not be a non-uniform day but children who have any Children in Need attire, such as Pudsey ears, are welcome to wear them if they wish.

Finally, one member of staff has already risen to the challenge. Over half-term Mrs Wollaston completed the Venice marathon. Well done to Mrs Wollaston for this amazing accomplishment. A great example to us all.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mathew Bown
Headteacher



YES PLEASE:

- Toothpaste
- Socks/scarves
- Shampoo/Soap
- Body wash
- Creams
- Hairbrush/comb
- Deodorant
- Chocolates
- Sweets
- Coffee & meal vouchers
- Clothing vouchers
- Notepad/pen

NO THANK YOU:

- Sanitary products
- Books
- Gloves
- Diaries
- Flannels
- Handwarmers
- Games/cards
- Soft toys
- Hats
- Toothbrushes
- Blades
- Aerosols

Please keep the lid separate and attached with an elastic band, clearly marked whether it is for a male or female.

Christian Ethos Group

Noughts and Crosses Prayer

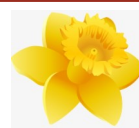
Choose a theme for your grid eg people, places, professions, problems, poorly people, praise and positives, promises. Write something to pray for related to your theme in each of the nine boxes. Each day, someone different chooses something on the grid to pray for and marks it with their initials. The challenge is to get three in a row, but keep praying after that too! If you want a greater challenge, pray for nine things under one theme on one day. The next day pray for another nine things on a different theme!



House Points



St Andrew: 905



St David: 978



St Patrick: 829

St George: 1230



Parents Prayer Meeting

The next parents prayer meeting will take place on:

Tuesday 3rd December

The meeting will take place in the Breakfast Club Room 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 has been 228 minutes of lost learning - that is well over 3.5 hours!

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

Christmas Dinner



Earlier this week you should have received a letter explaining the arrangements for this year's Christmas dinner - to be held on Friday 13th December. Please see letter(s) and menu attached.

Sports News by Mrs Newbold

Indoor Rowing Competitions



This week three teams from St Paul's took part in the Central Warwickshire Indoor Rowing Competitions held at Campion school. We entered a Year 6 girls' team and a Year 6 boys' team into competition events and a Y5/6 team into an event to encourage participation in new sports. In the Year 6 events, 25 schools took part. Both boys and girls teams finished in 5th place. Our Year 5/6 team finished 9th out of 10 schools.

Many congratulations to all our rowers for representing our school so well.

St Mary's Church Choir

Oliver Hancock (Director of Music at St Mary's Church, Warwick) visited earlier this term to talk about the Choir at St Mary's and to seek out any interested pupils. If your son or daughter (especially if in Years 3 or 4) is interested, please contact him via musicadmin@stmaryswarwick.org.uk Further details can be found on the attached flyer.

Polish Club Fun Factory

We are excited to announce that Polish Club Warwickshire is organizing a new initiative, The Fun Factory, for children aged 6-12. This free program will take place every Wednesday from 5.15pm to 6.45 pm at The Gap Community Centre, located at 39 Oakwood Grove, Warwick CV34 5TD.

The Fun Factory offers a variety of engaging activities, including sports, arts and crafts, board games, and skill-building workshops. Our goal is to provide a safe, fun and supportive environment where children can enjoy themselves, learn new skills, and make friends.

We believe it could be a wonderful opportunity for children in the community to participate in enriching activities after school.

Please see attached flyer.

Barnardo's Warwickshire

Barnardo's are very pleased to announce that, in a new initiative between Barnardo's Charity Shops and Warwick District Children and Families Centres, they will be hosting a Christmas pop-up shop at Lillington CFC on Friday 15th November 11.00am – 3.00pm.

There will be an opportunity to buy lots of reduced price new and nearly new Christmas gifts and lots of other Christmas items, as well as information about other opportunities and support available in the district.

They welcome Georgia from Brunswick Hub who can offer direct support, and there will also be information about volunteering in the district.

Please see flyer attached.

PTA

Welcome back to Autumn Term 2; we hope you had a good break.

It's the last day for Smarties donations today. If you lost your tube or just wanted to donate online, you can do so via this link

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

Bag2School bags were collected this morning and we raised £51.20.

Tickets can also be ordered on the above link also for the upcoming Wreath Workshop on 29th November. There were only 10 tickets left at the time of writing!

We have our half-termly meeting this Monday (11th) at 8.00pm at the Somerville, be great to see you there...

Heads up:

Disco tickets go live Monday 11th November

Donations of new or nearly-new good quality toys and games, suitable for primary aged children

Donations of clean jam jars (big enough to fit a tea-light in) - both donations to be left by the office by 3rd December

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the second hand uniform shop if you have a half hour spare, or would like to help when the shop is open, please let one of us know.

Thank you for your support.

Sent on behalf of the PTA Co-Chairs - Deb Gunn and Kay Gaywood

St Paul's C of E Primary School PTA

For the latest news please check out our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/438367989531064/>

Charity No 505453



Contact Details

Last shout out for the return of the Contact Details Form. If you have not yet returned your form please do so as soon as possible. If you have mislaid the original, please email admin3371@welearn365.com and we will print out a new one.

Reminders

Friday 15th November—Children in Need “Challenge Day”

Friday 29th November - St Andrew’s Day

Friday 29th November - PTA Wreath Workshop

Tuesday 3rd December - Parents Prayer Meeting 9.00am - 9.30am

Friday 6th December - PTA Second-hand Toy Sale

Tuesday 10th December - KS1 Nativity at 9.30am (1st Performance)

Wednesday 11th December - EYFS Nativity at 9.30am (1st Performance)

Wednesday 11th December - EYFS Nativity at 2.15pm (2nd Performance)

Thursday 12th December - KS1 Nativity at 2.15pm (2nd Performance)

Friday 13th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 13th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 13th December - PTA Christmas Disco

ATTACHMENTS AND LINKS TO ONLINE RESOURCES

- * For last week’s Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8826766?e=3e5007f40c>
- * For this week’s Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8826877?e=3e5007f40c>
- * Family Information Services Special Edition Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-8826893?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>
- * Connect for Health November newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/b436a684ff74/read-your-latest-health-wellbeing-newsletter-13864655?e=5dc215174c>
- * Christmas Dinner letters (one for Reception & KS1 and one for KS2) and Educaterer’s Christmas Menu
- * St Mary’s Choir Recruitment flyer
- * Polish Club - The Fun Factory flyer
- * St Paul’s Church Newsletter—November 2024
- * A Night for Neive flyer
- * Barnardo’s Pop Up Shop! flyer