



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

This week there has been a strong focus on our value of thoughtful.

Today we celebrated Children in Need in school. Collective Worship was a wonderful sight with so many children and staff wearing Pudsey ears, t-shirts, onesies and various other Children in Need clothing. This year's theme is challenge, and every class were challenged by their teachers today. I hope they enjoyed this! Thank you for your kind donations; we will make sure they are passed on asap.

Yesterday, we welcomed Chloe and Chris from Feed the Hungry, who led an inspiring Collective Worship session for our KS1 and KS2 children. They shared a moving story about Noelle, a young boy from Africa, showing us what his daily life is like and highlighting the challenges faced by children who don't always have enough to eat. Through a short video, our students learned about food shortages in some parts of the world and how Feed the Hungry provides crucial support to families in need.

In the afternoon, our Year 5 and 6 students jumped right in to help by packing nutritious, rice-based meals destined for Zimbabwe. Their teamwork and enthusiasm were amazing to see, and by the end of the day they had packed an impressive 4,968 meals! Please see the picture above.

Thank you to Mrs Newell for organising and co-ordinating this wonderful opportunity to be kind and think of others. Also, a big thank you to everyone who took part in this important and meaningful day. Your support truly made a difference!

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Next week a number of children will be working with Katy from the St Paul's Church in school making some artwork for the up and coming 'Hope' worship opportunity. The first meeting will take place on Sunday 1st December at 3.00pm, to be held in our school. Today, I reminded the children about the logo competition linked to this. If they would like to design a "Hope" logo, I need entries in by this Monday.

Finally, the shoeboxes for 'Helping Hands' have begun to arrive. If you have made one of these, thank you! If not, you still have plenty of time, but they need to be sent in by the end of this month. Please see the information below.

I wish you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mathew Bown
Headteacher



Christmas

SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024

Help us spread a little cheer this Christmas by donating a shoebox for homeless and vulnerably housed individuals/families in Leamington, Warwick and Kenilworth.

YES PLEASE:	NO THANK YOU:
• Toothpaste • Socks/scarves • Shampoo/Soap • Body wash • Creams • Hairbrush/comb • Deodorant • Chocolates • Sweets • Coffee & meal vouchers • Clothing vouchers • Notepad/pen	• 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

Static Electricity Prayers

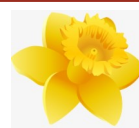
Ask everyone who they would like to pray for and then ask them to choose a colour of tissue paper to reflect that person. They can write or draw on their tissue piece if they want to. Take it in turns to rub the balloon on a woolly jumper or on (their own!) hair. This will build up some static on the balloon! Talk about giving our prayers to Jesus and ask him to show his love and power to each person. They can hold their tissue prayer close to the balloon and watch as it is pulled on to the balloon and sticks there. Pray that, as the paper sticks to the balloon, Jesus will draw those people close to him.



House Points



St Andrew: 903



St David: 688



St Patrick: 612

St George: 885



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 have been **232** minutes late recorded - that is nearly 4 hours of lost learning. These figures do not include pupils who arrive late into school (after 9.25 when the registers have closed) as they are coded different!!!

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



Today is Children in Need and in school we raised the terrific amount of £172.45. Well done and thank you to all who contributed!!

Contact Details

A reminder was sent out earlier this week to the parents/carers who have not completed and returned their child's Data Collection Sheet(s).

It is important that these are returned asap, as we need permissions for a variety of reasons and to ensure that contact details are kept up-to-date.

Again, if you have mislaid the original, please email admin3371@welearn365.com and we will print out a new one.

Reminder



Another reminder that bikes, skateboards, scooters etc are not to be ridden on school premises (even if the playground is empty). These micro-mobility vehicles can reach extremely high speeds and can cause serious damage if contact is made with a child or adult.

Also, dogs are not allowed on the school premises, even if they are being carried.

PTA

Thanks to you all for your donations for the Smarties Challenge. We raised a fantastic £445.94!! Extra well done to class 1A who raised the highest class amount.

It's almost Christmas tree season and this year Froggle Christmas Trees are running a fantastic offer. For every tree pre ordered before 6th December, they will give our PTA £7.00. The process is:

Follow the QR code on the attached flyer

Choose the size of tree you want, enter St Paul's PTA as your "good cause" and pay online.

Go any weekend from 23rd November to the Rugby Tavern to choose your perfect tree.

You get a fantastic quality tree and the PTA benefits too!

See the attached flyer for the QR code to pre order your tree.

Upcoming Events:

29th November: Wreath Making Workshop. Tickets are on sale via <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stpaulsleamington/index.cfm>. See attached flyer for more information.

6th December - Toy Sale and Christmas Craft Fair. We are still collecting donations of new or nearly-new good quality toys and games, suitable for primary aged children and clean glass jars (big enough to fit a tea-light in).

13th December: Christmas Disco tickets are now on sale. The timings are as follows:

Nursery to Year 2: 3.20pm - 4.20pm **Nursery and Reception children require an adult to accompany them**

Years 3 - 6: 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Tickets can be bought at: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stpaulsleamington/index.cfm>. You can also sign up as parent helpers via this link.

As always, 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

Reminders

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

Friday 6th December - PTA Christmas Craft Fair

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

Wednesday 18th December—Years 1-6 trip to the Pantomime - details to follow

Thursday 19th December—Church Service St Paul's Church at 9.30am

Friday 20th December - Last day of the Autumn term

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-8826902?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 Christmas Tree poster
- * Come and Try Netball flyer
- * Cinderella Pantomime at Renewal, Stratford Playhouse flyer
- * Happy News Issue 75