

Friday 14th March 2025



St Paul's News



St Paul's Church of England Primary School vision :

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

Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me'

Matthew 19:14.



Dear Parents / Carers

This week was our Science and Design and Technology week in school. The focus of this was based on egg challenges. On Tuesday a Collective Worship was delivered to introduce the week. Following this the children were placed into mixed aged groups to spend the morning completing a challenge together; EYFS did this in their classes. The challenge was to make something to protect an egg from smashing when dropped with a parachute. There was great team work and creativity shown to undertake this task. Amazingly, 8 out of the 10 eggs did not break and were protected. Today was also the last day to send in any entries for the home challenge of converting an egg box into something else. Winners will be announced next week. Thank you to Mrs Jefferies (Science Lead) and Mrs Wollaston (Design & Technology Lead) for organising this fun week in school.

Next Friday we will be celebrating World Down Syndrome Day. On this day children and staff are encouraged to wear their 'Brightest, Boldest or Funkiest socks' in celebration. We will also be raising awareness in school through an assembly; and further work in classrooms planting sunflowers and learning more about Down Syndrome. Please see the attached flyer. We are aware that, on this day, it is also Comic Relief. As our day has been planned around World Down Syndrome Day, this will be our main focus. However, this links well with some of the work that Comic Relief do. So, in addition to wearing the socks suggested, we are also happy for the children to celebrate Comic Relief by wearing red noses and/or comic relief clothing. A link is available on the flyer to donate to Downs Syndrome Day. If you would like to donate to Comic Relief then please click on the link below to our Just Giving page:

Donate to Comic Relief

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On Wednesday it was Young Carers Action Day. A young carer is a young person who lives with someone who has an illness, disability, mental health or substance misuse problem. As a result, they take on some of the caring responsibilities, normally expected of an adult. We, as a school, have worked with Warwickshire Young Carers for a great many years and, as a result, have been awarded the Gold Level Award for our work in this area. Please find more information on Warwickshire's Young Carers in the link below:

Warwickshire Young Carers

If you believe your child is a young carer, and would like to discuss this more, please send an email to the office for the attention of Mrs Newell.

Finally, the courtyard work continued this week and is really starting to take shape. The builders are now ready to install our water feature, and plants have been bought ready for planting. See the photo below taken late yesterday afternoon of the current progress.



I hope you enjoy your weekend.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Bown
Headteacher

Convert an Eggbox Challenge



Congratulations to all those children who have entered our Convert an Eggbox Challenge. The designs and final products look amazing. All entries will be displayed in the school studio after school on Tuesday 18th March. Winners will be announced on Friday 21st March in Collective Worship.

Christian Ethos Group

Dancing Prayers

Put on some upbeat worship music and have a dance party in your living room! In 2 Samuel 6, it tells us that David was dancing before the Lord with all his might, and that he was undignified before him. We can be too!



House Points



St Andrew: 784



St David: 958



St Patrick: 758

St George: 865



Parents Prayer Meeting

The next parents prayer meeting will take place on:

Tuesday 1st April

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 **118** minutes late recorded (almost 2 hours of lost learning). This is a slight decrease on last week - but 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

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

Please use the following link to access the St Paul's order page

<https://stpauls2025.deco-apparel.com/>

The opportunity to add a nickname/ child's name to appear on the back of the hoodie is at the check-out stage of the payment platform.

The children should have had the opportunity to look at the size of last year's hoodies this week in class. Last year the adults XS and S were both popular!

Educaterers

Educaterers, who provide the school dinners for our school, have informed us that they will be increasing the cost of a school meal by 10p from the 1st April 2025. This means that the cost of a school meal will be £2.75 per day.

Also, please find attached the new menus which will start after the Easter holidays.

Fridge Donation

If anyone has a fridge that is still in working order but is no longer needed, we would be grateful to accept it, as the fridge we store our milk deliveries in is broken and is no longer keeping the milk cold.

If you have got a fridge you would be happy to donate, please let a member of staff, or the school office, know. Thank you.

Maths Family Learning Workshops

The Maths Family Learning Workshops, which will be held next Tuesday, are now full.

PTA

Easter Fair

A huge Thank You to those of you who have volunteered to run a stall at the Easter Fair on Friday 28th March 3.30pm - 5.00pm.

We still need quite a few more volunteers to be able to run the stalls. Please let your PTA year rep know, or email chair@stpaulspta.org.uk if you are able to help for half an hour. You'll be in pairs with full instructions on what the game/activity is and how to run it.

The Easter Egg tombola will be back again this year so we are asking for a donation of an Easter egg in return for a non-uniform day on Friday 28th March.

Summer Fair

We are forming a working group to start to plan the Summer Fair. If you have any ideas or want to be involved in the planning stage then please let us know.

Raffle Prizes: If you are in a position to donate a raffle prize, or know of anywhere we could ask, for the Summer Fair please do let us know.

Save the Date!

- 28th March - Easter Fair, 3.30pm - 5.00pm, in the school hall - non-uniform day in exchange for an Easter egg
- 16th May - Disco
- 5th June - Bags2School
- 5th July 2025 - PTA Summer Fair

Sent on behalf of your 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](#)
Charity No. 505453



ST PAUL'S
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Reminders

Monday 17th March - St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 18th March - 9.00am-10.30am - KS1 Maths Family Learning Workshop

Tuesday 18th March - 1.30pm-3.00pm - KS2 Maths Family Learning Workshop

Tuesday 18th March - after school - Eggbox Challenge Display in the Studio

Friday 21st March - Red Nose Day

Friday 21st March - Down Syndrome Day

Friday 28th March - KS1 Trip to the Butterfly Farm, Stratford-upon-Avon

Friday 28th March 2.00pm - EYFS Mother's Day Craft Afternoon

Friday 28th March - PTA Easter Fair - 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Monday 31st March - Friday 4th April - Year 6 Residential

Tuesday 1st April - Parents Prayer Meeting at 9.00am

Tuesday 8th April - Lower KS2 Production at 2.00pm (1st Performance)

Wednesday 9th April - Lower KS2 Production at 5.30pm (2nd Performance)

Thursday 10th April - Easter Church Service at 10.00am

Friday 11th April - Last Day of the Spring Term

Monday 14th - Friday 25th April - School Closed - Easter Holidays

Monday 28th April - St George's Day

Thursday 1st May - Class Photos

Monday 5th May - Public Bank Holiday

Monday 12th May - SATs week

ATTACHMENTS AND LINKS TO ONLINE RESOURCES

- * For this week's Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqqps-8828346?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 March Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/2e2f0e32f045/read-your-latest-health-wellbeing-newsletter-13868814?e=5dc215174c>
- * World Down Syndrome Day poster
- * Educaterers Weekly Menu April 2025
- * Educaterers Lunch Menu - Week 1 - April 2025 (after Easter)
- * Educaterers Lunch Menu - Week 2 - April 2025 (after Easter)
- * Educaterers Lunch Menu - Week 3 - April 2025 (after Easter)
- * PTA Easter Fair 2025 poster
- * Easter Netball Youth Camp flyer
- * The Kingsley School Easter Action flyer
- * ULFC Easter Holiday Camp flyer
- * ULFC Girls U8's Football Club flyer
- * ULFC New Players Wanted flyer
- * ULFC U7's Team flyer
- * Let's Play at Newbold Comyn Leisure Centre
- * Happy News Issue 88