

Friday 2nd May 2025



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 new term.

This week we have been blessed with wonderful weather. During the summer term, on the occasions that we do get hot weather, please remember to apply sun cream before school and send in a sun hat for your child. Ideally use a long-lasting cream such as Boots Soltan Once, in order for them to be protected for the whole day without needing it to be reapplied. The staff are not able to apply sun cream, so this would offer protection for the entirety of the school day.

Next Thursday the nation will be celebrating 80 years since VE Day. In school we will also be celebrating this important milestone. The children will have Collective Worship in the morning and an activity in their classrooms later in the day. We also invite all staff and children to wear red, white and blue on Thursday to mark this important day. If your child does not want to do this, they are more than welcome to still wear their uniform.

I am delighted to tell you that, after much time and hard work, we are finally opening our spiritual / memorial garden on Wednesday afternoon. We will hold a special Collective Worship in which we will be joined by Reverend April Gold, the Director of Education for the Coventry and Warwickshire Diocese, who will officially open it. We will also be joined by a few guests who have supported this project. During Thursday and Friday the children will have an opportunity to visit the garden should they wish. I am sure that this area will be of great benefit to the development of staff and pupils spiritual and mental health, as well as a beautiful place to remember those who are part of our St Paul's family, that are no longer with us. I am looking forward to opening this up on our Open Evening next half-term for you to also visit it.

I hope you enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr Matthew Bown

Christian Ethos Group

Bouncing Balloons

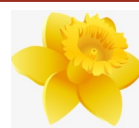
Blow up balloons and bounce them gently on a stretchy piece of material or a parachute held by family members. Have fun calling out names of people to pray for as each balloon bounces off the material.



House Points



St Andrew: 388



St David: 581



St Patrick: 558

St George: 511



parents Prayer Meetings

The next parents prayer meetings will take place on:

Monday 9th June

Tuesday 1st July

The meetings will take place in the Breakfast Club room and then (hopefully) in the Courtyard Prayer Garden (when opened) 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 **248** minutes late recorded. What a massive disappointment. That is over 4 hours of lost learning. Let's hope it improves next week. 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

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 any part of the school premises, even if they are being carried.

Educaterers

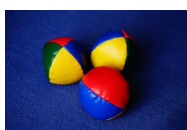
From Monday of this week the new Educaterers menus have been operating.

These are attached for your information.

Library Sponsorship

This term Miss Willshee is running a sponsored read to help raise funds for the school library. Attached is a copy of the sponsorship form for you to print at home if your child wishes to take part. If you are unable to print a copy, we are happy to provide one for you which can be collected from the school office.

Summer Term After School Clubs



A reminder that payment(s) should be made as soon as possible for any clubs that have a charge. Thank you.

Sports News

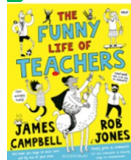
by Mrs Newbold Netball Match



On Wednesday, Year 5/6 netball team completed their final netball matches in the Leamington / Warwick Netball League at Kingsley School. In very hot conditions, the team played three matches winning two and losing one, with some outstanding shooting from Gabriel Wilson; and everyone demonstrating excellent game management throughout.

The final results were announced. St Paul's finished a superb second place. Well done to all who took part over the year: Gabriel, Ruth, Bettany, Bea, Martha, Viena, Hattie and Lara.

Story-Writing Competition



Do you have a hilarious tale just waiting to be told? We are running a competition in conjunction with North Leamington primary schools. Please see attached poster for further information.

Music Lessons in the Autumn Term

Warwickshire Music provide brass and woodwind lessons in our school. If this is something your child would like to start in September please email finance3371@welearn365.com by Friday 16th May.

If your child is interested in keyboard, guitar and/or drums please contact RAD Music at <https://totallyradhub.co.uk/>

PTA

You may have noticed some changes taking place in the collection playground this week - Owen Webb of Parker Webb has been working with us to transform this space. The planters have been painted to represent each of the St Paul's houses and Sophie has been busy planning and purchasing plants in a similar colour scheme. By the time you read this, the benches will have been installed!

Thank You

A big thank you to those of you that contributed to the Neighbourly giving account. It will remain open for donations and ongoing upkeep of the planters – for example we will need to get some watering cans and bark to keep them looking fresh throughout the coming months. [Neighbourly link](#)

Please Order Your Tea Towels

This is now the last week to order tea towels with your child's face on! At present we are still short of the minimum order (50) for each group of EYFS, Years 3 and 4, Years 5 and 6 – they make great Christmas presents too! There may have been a little confusion about what year they were from – they are for this year, 2025. Sales close **Friday 9th May** - [Tea towel order link here](#)

Help With Uniform Sale

At present we don't have any volunteers to open the uniform shop next Friday 9th May – if anyone could spare 45 minutes to help out then please let us know on class whatsapp group, thanks.

Coming Up

The summer term disco is coming up on 16th May. Tickets are on sale and will close on **Wednesday 14th May**. [Order disco tickets here](#)

Summer Fair

We have formed a working group 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, please do let us know.

Save the date!

- 16th May - Disco
- 5th June - Bags2School
- 5th July - PTA Summer Fair

Thank you for your support

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



Reminders

Monday 5th May - Public Bank Holiday

Monday 12th May - SATs week - (All Swimming Lessons Cancelled This Week)

Thursday 15th May - Year 4 Residential Parents Meeting 3.30pm

Friday 16th May - Year 3/4 Trip to Coventry Cathedral

Friday 16th May - PTA Disco

Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - Summer half-term week

Monday 2nd June - Teacher Training Day - School Closed to Pupils

Thursday 5th June - PTA Bags2School Collection

Monday 9th June - Parents Prayer Meeting at 9.00am

Tuesday 17th June - Day of the African Child

Wednesday 18th June - EYFS Sports Morning - 9.30am

Thursday 19th June - KS1 Sports Morning - 9.30am

Friday 20th June - Year 4 Residential Weekend

Friday 27th June - KS2 Sports Morning - 9.30am

Friday 27th June - Reports Out to Parents

Monday 30th June - Class Lists Out to Parents

Tuesday 1st July - Parents Prayer Meeting at 9.00am

Wednesday 2nd July - Warwickshire Transition Day

Wednesday 2nd July - Open Evening 4.00pm-6.00pm

Saturday 5th July - PTA Summer Fair

Tuesday 8th July - Year 6 Production - 1.45pm

Wednesday 9th July - Year 6 Production - 5.30pm

Friday 11th July - Year 6 Activity Day

Thursday 17th July - Leavers Church Service 9.30am

Friday 18th July - Last Day of Academic Year

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-8828896?e=3e5007f40c>
- * For last week's Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8828834?e=3e5007f40c>
- * For Tuesday 15th April's Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqgps-8828732?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-17w1oinhjbandi0yc>
- * New Educaterers Menus (x3)
- * Sponsorship Form for the School Library
- * St Paul's Church Newsletter - May 2025
- * Story-writing Competition poster
- * Warwick District Foodbank Newsletter
- * Lillington Health Hub flyer
- * Lillington Family Support drop-in poster
- * Kingsway Family Support drop-in poster
- * Kenilworth Family Support drop-in poster
- * Brakes Community Girls Football Poster
- * Go4Goals Girls Football Camp at Kingsley May 2025 flyer
- * Go4Goals Boys Football Camp at Kingsley May 2025 flyer
- * Lets Play at Newbold Comyn May half-term flyer
- * Music to Your Ears Diary - Summer 2025
- * Happy News Issues 92 and 93