



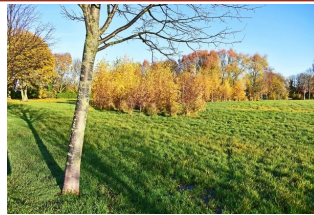
St Paul's News



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

On Tuesday, as you know, we had our Church of England SIAMS Inspection. Although our Years 5 and 6 classes were out for most of the day on a trip to the Space Centre, she did have an opportunity to talk to a number of them and look at their work and classrooms before they left.

During this very long and busy day the Inspector did a number of things. She spoke to a wide range of staff, children, governors, the Diocese and parents. Many thanks to those of you that spoke to the Inspector on Tuesday morning; she was very encouraged by all your positivity about our school. She joined our Collective Worship, led by Katy from St Paul's Church. I would like to thank Katy, as I know she was not well, but still came in and led a wonderful celebration of our school with the children and the staff. Throughout the day the Inspector observed various things going on and had a real insight into a typical day at St Paul's.

A key focus for this inspection was around our School Vision and Values. The Inspector was rigorous in looking at these, checking if and how our school truly lived these out in our work. I believed this to be a real strength of our school before the inspection, as I feel our Vision and Values are what guides our purpose and all we do in school. I am pleased to tell you that the Inspector saw this also.

Alongside this, as a Voluntary Aided School, she also spent a considerable amount of time looking at our delivery of the Religious Education curriculum. This year we have just begun teaching a new Religious Education curriculum, as instructed by the Diocese, along with all other Church of England schools. So, the discussions around this were useful at this very early stage. I would like to thank Mrs Cooper, our RE Lead, who has worked incredibly hard getting the staff ready to deliver this curriculum. The inspector recognised all of the hard work that has gone into this and was very positive with what she saw.

The report will now be written, agreed upon and finally published. I am told that this can take some time, but I will share this with you as soon as I can. Until then, I am unable to discuss the finer details and the judgement given. I will simply say that I am delighted with the feedback given to the Senior Management Team, Chair of Governors and the Diocese by the Inspector at the end of the day. I am confident that the final report will be something that we will all be very proud of. Thank you, once again, to everyone that played a part in this day to celebrate all that is special about our school.

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Today we held our Early Years Harvest Festival in school. Thank you to everyone that was able to attend. Next Thursday morning we will be holding our Harvest Festival for the rest of the school at St Paul's Church, starting at 10.00am. If you would like to donate food, we will be, once again, collecting for the Food Bank. So please make sure no fresh food is sent in; dried, tinned and packets only thank you.

Next week is our final week before the half-term break. On Wednesday and Thursday, after school, we will be holding our parents evenings. I look forward to seeing you all. Please remember that half-term ends on Thursday, and the school will be closed on Friday.

Thank you all for your support.

Matthew Bown
Headteacher

School Photographs



On Monday, the school photographer, Aperture, will be coming in to take individual and sibling photographs. We can only photograph siblings that attend our school.

Please bring your child to school wearing their school uniform. If you child has PE or forest school, please send in a change of clothes in a bag.

If your child attends our Nursery and does not normally attend on a Monday morning, and you would like them to have their photo taken, please bring them (together with any sibling(s)) to the office at 8.45am. You will then be taken to the studio for them to have their photo taken. You can then take your nursery child home.

Christian Ethos Group

Worship Music

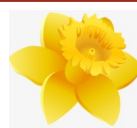
Take some time to listen to some worship music together. You could choose calm songs like 'The Lord's My Shepherd' (Stuart Townsend) or 'Still' (Hillsong). You might like more celebratory worship like 'More than Conquerors' (Rend Collective) or 'Happy Day' (Tim Hughes). Whatever you choose to listen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



House Points



St Andrew: 781



St David: 558



St Patrick: 650



St George: 783

FOOD BANK

Parking

We have received two separate complaints this week from our neighbours about parents/carers who are parking inconsiderately blocking driveways and parking on yellow lines. Please park sensibly and legally. Warwickshire Community Officers are now regularly patrolling the area.

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.

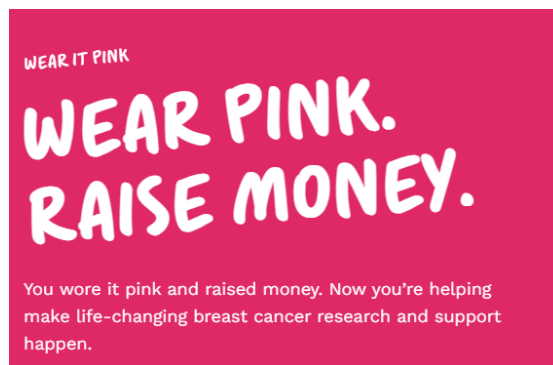
Lateness

This week there has been 121 minutes (just over 2 hours) of lost learning. This is a decrease on last week. Well done!! Let's see if we can improve even more next week.

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

Breast Awareness Month



Today some staff wore pink in support of Breast Awareness Month. Mrs Saunders has been baking all week and treated the staff, for a donation, to various cookies and cakes. The total raised, so far, is £200.00.



If you would like to donate go to https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andrea-s-wear-it-pink?utm_medium=proxy_fundraising&utm_content=andrea-s-wear-it-pink&utm_source=whatsapp&utm_campaign=pfp-whatsapp

Allergy Awareness

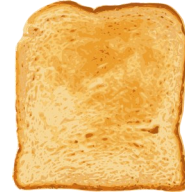
On Tuesday, all staff in school had Allergy Awareness training, delivered by The Allergy Badge, which gave clear reminders about allergies and intolerances, and what action is to be taken if a child should present with these.

As you are aware, we have children throughout the school with severe allergies, and we are all doing our best to ensure that the risk to these children is as minimal as possible. We are also a 'No Nuts' school. Therefore, could we please remind parents and carers that any snacks that are brought for children at the end of the school day are given to their child/ren once they have left the school premises.

Thank you for your support.

Breakfast Club

If your child attends our Breakfast Club - this is a reminder that pupils must be at school by 8.10am in order for them to get breakfast **before 8.15am** which is the cut-off time. This then gives time for pupils to finish eating and the staff to clear everything away before school starts.



Thank you!

Sports News by Mr Barnes

Football



Last Friday we took our 5/6 'B' boys football team over the hill to compete in our now traditional game against Lillington 'A'. Despite falling two goals behind, the team fought back brilliantly to secure a much deserved draw. A poacher's finish from Cory, and superb long range strike from captain Thomas helped get the win. It was a great match to watch, and the boys deserve huge credit for the performance and the perseverance they showed to get back into the game. Many thanks for lifts and support from parents, as always.

Contact Details

Yesterday, the office sent out the latest contact details we have on our computer.

Please return these as soon as possible so we can update any alterations.

Thank you

PTA

Thank you!

A big thank you to all who have given a one-off donation via School Fund. This remains open for you to do whenever it is convenient. (Original letter attached in case you missed it the first time).

Coming Up

Thursday 24th October—Smartie Challenge

Your child will come home with a tube of Smarties (or fruit pastilles as a vegan/allergen friendly option). They can fill their Smarties tube with whatever loose change you have around in exchange for carrying out chores and challenges. There will be a prize for the class who raise the most funds. (More information is attached).

Definitely worth keeping an eye on the [Facebook Page](#) and class Whatsapps for more information! (If you are not on a class Whatsapp and would like to be, it is definitely worth letting us know and we can link you in).

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/>

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Reminders

Monday 21st October - Individual School Photos

Wednesday 23rd October - Parents Evening

Thursday 24th October - Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church at 10.00am for Years 1-6

Thursday 24th October - Parents Evening

Friday 25th October - Teacher Training Day: School Closed to Pupils

Monday 28th October - October half-term – school closed for the week

Thursday 31st October - Deadline for Applying for a Year 7 Secondary School Place

Monday 4th November - School Re-Opens

Scholastic Book Fair - Monday 4th November to Friday 8th November

Friday 8th November - PTA Bag2school collection

Friday 29th November - St Andrew's Day

Friday 6th December - PTA 2nd Hand Toy Sale

ATTACHMENTS AND LINKS TO ONLINE RESOURCES

- * Family Information Service Newsletter go to <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/family-information-service-newsletter-1219204-96fqcdqpps-1229695?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>
- * Raring2go! On-line magazine <https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/southwarwickshire/autumn2024/>
- * PTA Welcome to St Paul's PTA letter
- * PTA Donations Request
- * PTA Smarties Challenge Card
- * PTA Smarties Challenge Q&A card
- * J C Soccer half-term flyer
- * Happy News Issue 72