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St Paul's C of E Primary School
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We are committed to being a safe and welcoming place, showing support and solidarity for all pupils, staff and visitors, in line with the Equality Act 2010.

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St. Paul's Newsletter - October 2024

Message from Miss Harrington

Welcome to the first edition of our Newsletter for this school year.

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back, and also to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children, as well as a number of new children throughout the school. We hope they will all be very happy, have a really successful year, and enjoy their journey through school.

We have opened our new Resource Base Class, which is called our Maple Class. Miss Shore, and all the other staff, have made sure that all the children who access this provision have been welcomed with everything they need to be successful, and they are enjoying the space, the resources and come happily each day. More information on this resource can be found on the website.

The term has been filled with lots of amazing learning activities, both in classrooms and outdoors, and special events like the Venture activity day that Year 5 and 6 experienced. After school clubs have started with lots of children engaging in those activities, and Choir meets during the school day, and hope to perform for parents for Christmas. This Newsletter will give you more information about all that has been happening, and some events to look forward to.

We have a new website that I hope you will find useful and informative, and as always, we are here to answer any questions that you may have about any aspect of school life.

Thank you for all your support in getting the year off to a great start, enjoy reading the newsletter, and we look forward to next term with Remembrance Day, Children In Need, Christmas activities and much more to look forward to!!

Have a great half term break, and we will see you all back on Monday, 28th October.

Contact Details

To ensure you receive all letters and messages we send out, you must let the school office staff know if you have changed your mobile number, landline number and/or email address in the last 3 months.

We also need a minimum of THREE contact on your child's record just in case, for any reason, we can't get hold of you. Please pass these details to the school office school year.



New Look Website

Website Launch

We are pleased to announce that we have launched our new look [website](#). The website includes an updated fresh look with improved navigation. This allows you to find information you need more quickly and easily, so you can enjoy the best possible user experience. We have reviewed and updated all the information, so you can be confident that everything is as current as possible. To ensure you get the best first impression of the site please carry out a hard refresh (CTRL + F5 / CMD, SHIFT + R) when you first visit

At a glance, some new features include:

- Responsive website to ensure a better performance on mobile devices
- Improved Inclusion Section
- Updated content on all pages
- A calendar with upcoming events at a glance so you don't miss any event

We would really welcome your comments - please email admin@st-pauls.stockport.sch.uk with your thoughts. If you experience trouble viewing the website with your pc, or notice any links not working, please do get in touch to let us know. Many thanks for your support!

Outdoor Activity Day – Year 5 and Year 6

Our Yr5 and Yr6 children had a wonderful opportunity this half term to take part in an Outdoor Activity Day led by the fantastic team at Venture Out.

The children learnt valuable team building skills whilst improving their self confidence by climbing a climbing wall, learning the skill of archery, and orienteering a course all set within the school grounds.

There were many happy faces with lots of fun memories made, and a great bonus was that the weather was really kind too!



MacMillan Cake Sale

The Year 6 children organised our MacMillan "World's Biggest Cake Sale" really well and raised £280 for Macmillan Cancer Relief. They would like to thank you for all the donations and for supporting this very worthwhile event.



Nursery January 202 In-take

If your child is born between 1 September 2021 and 31 December 2021 they will be considered for a place starting January 2025.

Click [here](#) to complete and submit your application

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2024.

Attention Year 6

Year 7 Applications

You have until **31st October 2024** to submit your Year 7 High School application to Stockport Council. Please make sure to list 6 preferred choices, and **one must be** your catchment area school, otherwise you may run the risk of being placed in a school some distance from your home.

Click [here](#) to complete your application.

If you miss the above closing date, then you are in severe danger of reducing your chances of a preferred school, and are more likely to be allocated an unwanted place some distance from home.

Hit the link to apply for Free School Meals - you only need to complete it once!

[Apply Online Today!
CLICK HERE](#)

It's Cool to be in School



This half term winners of The Awesome Attendance Trophy is **6LB**

CLASS	04 Sept - 18 Oct 2024
Nursery Beg	88.41%
Nursery End	82.34%
Maple	82.70%
RNH	88.76%
1NL	91.10%
1/2JB	89.18%
2ME	91.96%
3GB	89.59%
3MH	86.95%
4SK	90.56%
4JA/KM	91.81%
5MG	90.71%
5CS/DF	95.20%
6LM	91.72%
6LB	95.39%

Every Day Counts

Headlice

Headlice can be a problem in all schools, and whilst not serious or dangerous, unless they go untreated, it isn't a pleasant experience for any child.

Please be vigilant and check your child's hair regularly. Long hair should always be tied up.

If you are struggling to control headlice, please speak to the school nurse.

P Staff only

School Grounds

The health and safety of your children whilst on our premise is our utmost priority, and therefore we must remind all parents/carers that the private staff carpark is for the use of staff **ONLY**.

We also now have contracted taxi's requiring the use of both disabled parking bays at the beginning and end of each day.

If you have to drive your child/ren to school, please park in the layby's outside school, or park a little further away and walk the rest of the journey.

Please remember to be considerate to our neighbours and not block driveways. Thank you.

Freddie Fit



Freddie Fit visited us this half term and had all the children, (and staff) moving and shaking to great music. They learned the importance of keeping fit and healthy.

Thank you Freddie Fit, and Yr 6 will see you again in the Summer.



School Fund

A huge thank you to all staff and parents who are helping raise much needed school funds. All monies raised is spent on our children.

Did you know that you can help raise money for our school fund whilst making certain purchases.

Stickins

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ASDA Cash For Schools

Make sure your child's items can be returned before they reach the lost property pegs and minimise the loss of school uniform, shoes, etc. by labelling all of your child's belongings.

St. Paul's continues to be partnered with Stikin's, a company that produce multipurpose name tags that can be used to label clothes and fabric items, shoes and bags, lunch boxes and water bottles. The labels simply stick on and stay on - **No sewing or ironing required!**

For every order placed, Stikin's will donate 30% of the value of your order to our school fund. Click [here](#) to order your labels and when prompted, enter the **School Fundraising Number 21498**

Stickins operate a super fast despatch and delivery service. All orders are sent out by Royal Mail's first class service.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help raise funds for our school whilst doing your weekly shop.

Up to 30th November 2024, ASDA will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our school fund.

All you have to do is download the ASDA Rewards app and opt in choosing St Paul's Church of England Primary School.

Shop in store or online at [Asda.com](https://www.asda.com)

Even if you don't shop at ASDA, please opt in as the school will receive £1 per opt-in



Thank you for your continued support

Gardening



Over the past few months the whole school have been taking care and maintaining our school allotment.

During this weeks celebration of Harvest Festival, Miss Baron's class harvested a bumper crop of vegetables during their gardening session.

Very well done to all of our children for the hard work and care put in to achieve these amazing results!

Harvest Festival

On 17th October the whole school came together to celebrate and give thanks for food during harvest.

Our festival assembly gave the children the opportunity to consider the needy and those less fortunate.

We'd like to thank all our families who brought in food throughout the week, which will be distributed by Stockport Foodbank and the Wellspring Stockport.



Dentist Visit Year 1 and Year 2

Year 1 and Year 2 received a visit from the dentist this term and learnt all about taking care of their teeth.

The dentist demonstrated how the children should brush their teeth, how much toothpaste to use and how long they should brush their teeth for, to help remove plaque to avoid tooth decay and cavities. She also spoke of the importance of a healthy diet, including drinking lots of water and milk, and eating plenty of fresh fruits and vegetable to help keep their teeth healthy.



Half Term Star Readers



As we finish for the half term break, we celebrate our Star Readers.

Congratulations to Lola, Johnjo and Isha!

Over the half term they have developed a real love of reading and have worked hard to improve their phonic skills, fluency and comprehension skills every day.

Well done and we are looking forward to celebrating our Star Readers next half term.

Early Years News



Reception had such an exciting Toy Day. We learnt all about toys from the past and shared what we liked best about our toys from the present! In the afternoon everyone played with the old and new toys and had a wonderful time.

Swimming
5CS/DF
Friday 1st November

Dates for your diary

Thursday, 31st October, Height & Weight Yr6
Tuesday, 5th November, Parents' Evening 5pm - 7pm
Wednesday, 6th November, Parents' Evening 3.30pm - 6pm
Friday, 15th November, Children In Need
Wednesday, 20th November, Photographs



Have a great
Autumn Half Term Break
and we look forward to
seeing you all again on
Monday, 28th October 2024