Year 6 residential

Next February, we will be visiting Robinwood in Todmorden for our two day residential educational adventure activity course. Further information about the next payment date will be sent out in the upcoming weeks.

If your child still wishes to attend, please speak to a member of staff about booking a place.

## **Autumn term Forest School dates**

Thursday 21st September Thursday 5th October Thursday 19th October Thursday 9th November Thursday 23rd November Thursday 7th December

I am looking forward to teaching your child this year and working in partnership with you all.

Please remember to visit our class webpage for news and photos and to check the main school weekly newsletter for upcoming events or important messages.

## www.stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk

A text message system is also used to pass on key information so please ensure that the office have an up to date contact number.

If there is any other information that you need, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

Thank you.

R Lee



Information for parents 2023 - 24

A warm welcome to Mighty Oaks!

Welcome back to you all. I hope you had an enjoyable summer break. Please find enclosed information that will guide you and your child through the upcoming academic year.

Teaching staff

Alongside myself (Mrs Lee), the class is also supported by Mrs Todd who will teach the class each Wednesday during teacher management and PPA time. We are also supported by Mrs Blake, who will work within the class Monday to Thursday.

The National Curriculum

Each day, there is a focus on English, Maths, spelling, grammar and handwriting. Over the course of the year, the children will access a number of subjects through our creative curriculum. Any class trips throughout the year will support learning within the new curriculum. Topic webs are written each half term to inform you of the class learning and can be found on the class page of the website. The class timetable is also on the website.

In the summer term of 2024 Week beginning 13th May 2024), all children in Year 6 will sit the end of key stage tests in reading, spelling, grammar and maths. These will measure their learning throughout key stage two and will also be used alongside our own rigorous assessment procedures. Further information about these will be available later on in the academic year.

PE/ Forest School

Our PE sessions are on Friday afternoon, unless there is a coach supporting the class and it will then move to Tuesday. Parents will be informed of the change in PE day on the newsletter.

Throughout the Autumn term, Oaks class will also be swimming each Monday at Marl Pits, with the first session on Monday 11th September.

Further information will be sent in an additional letter.
PE kits are to be kept in school on pegs. This should be a plain white t shirt (school logo optional), plain navy or black shorts or joggers, a plain navy /school PE hoodie or school jumper and suitable footwear. A lightweight waterproof jacket may also be brought to wear during

rainy weather. NO FOOTBALL KITS will be allowed.

Jewellery is not to be worn for PE sessions and earrings will need to be removed by your child. Please note, PE days may change so ideally your child should be able to remove their own earrings.

As we will be in the Forest every other week (Thursday), the necessary kit will also need to be brought to school on the correct day.

Our first session will be Thursday 21st

September.

Please see overleaf for the dates of the Autumn term Forest School sessions.

Medical information

Please ensure that if your child requires any medication within school such as inhalers, then they are up to date and the relevant medical form has been completed at the office.

All medication should be clearly named and handed to the school office or myself as soon as possible.

Please note: It is the parents responsibility to ensure medication is in date.

Reading

There is an expectation that children in Year 6 should be reading for a minimum of 15 minutes each night. All children have been given a reading diary and these should be signed whenever your child has read. Reading books and records should be brought to school each day. These will be collected in each week (Thursday) and signed by a member of staff.

Alongside their own reading material, pupils will also have access to the library on a weekly basis. Free readers may choose a book from home or from the class library for reading sessions.

Personal belongings

Your child is responsible for looking after their own belongings. Please make it easier for them by naming all items of clothing, including coats, uniforms and bags. If your child has a school bag/rucksack, please ensure it is small enough to fit onto their peg.

Pencil cases may also be brought into school for use in the afternoon sessions, however these are not compulsory as your child will be

provided with their own set of equipment to use in school.

If your child does bring a mobile phone, this should be handed into the class teacher on arrival where it will be stored in the school office until the end of the day. Please remind your child that these phones are only to be used off the school premises and should be turned off at the school gates. Under no circumstances are mobile phones to be kept in school bags or coat

pockets.

**School uniform** 

All children will be expected to wear our full school uniform from September this includes school shoes NOT trainers or trainer style shoes.

Our school uniform list can be found at https://stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk/school-uniform
The PTA have a 'Good as new' uniform store. Details for this can be found on the PTA Facebook page.

**Homework** 

Homework is online based and consists of a times tables and spelling task each week. Challenges will be set on a Friday and your child will be expected to spend time

completing the tasks by the following Friday. If your child does not have access to the internet, please let me know as soon as possible and an alternative homework will be arranged.