



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
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WELCOME TO THE INFANT UNIT

Dear Parents/Carers

Hello and a warm welcome from all the Infant Unit. We hope you have all had a lovely summer. In this letter, please find key information which will guide you and your child through the next academic year. We apologise in the delay in getting the following information to you. Currently our Parentpay system is not fully working.

STAFFING

For your reference the Infant Unit classes are as follows:

Brilliant Berries: EYFS/Y1 Miss Bliss

Amazing Acorns: EYFS Miss Cavaney

Awesome Ashes: EYFS and Yr1 Miss Pounder

Super Sycamores: Yr1 and Y2- Miss Fielding

Outstanding Alders: Yr2- Miss Gribben

We would like to remind parents that we have a clear policy in terms of dealing with any queries/concerns with reference to your child's learning. Please contact your child's class teacher, or, if you feel that this has not been dealt with sufficiently, then you are welcome to arrange an appointment with Miss Cavaney (EYFS Lead) or Miss Fielding (KS1 lead).

MORNINGS

Parents are reminded that the classroom doors open at 8.45am every morning. At 8.55am, all external classroom doors are then locked and any child arriving after this time will need to enter school via the main office.

We would like to remind parents that class teachers will be available at the doors, once they have been opened, should you need to talk to them. Please could we kindly ask that children are not allowed to play with the item put out on the yard and shelter area as they have been specifically set up in a way to support teaching and learning each day.

UNIFORM

There is an expectation that all our pupils are wearing the correct school uniform at all times. 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.

Please could all items of uniform, including PE kits, be clearly labelled.

JEWELLERY

As in previous years, children are not to wear jewellery in school except stud earrings and watches. Please remove earrings for PE days. If a child is seen wearing jewellery, a member of staff will ask the child to remove this and will place this in a secure drawer/ locker for the child to take home at the end of the day. Children are also reminded that they are not allowed to wear any nail varnish.



PE

Children will have two sessions of PE a week (more details on each class welcome booklet). Children in Berries, Acorns and Ashes will come dressed in their PE kits on their outdoor PE days. Our PE kit consists of a white tee shirt with/without school emblem. Blue shorts/blue joggers and blue school hoody in colder weather. These are all available at Amins on the high street in Rawtenstall.

For indoor PE lessons, a PE kit must be provided for your child to change into and left in school. For whatever reason your child is unable to take part in PE we ask that you send in a parental note, otherwise there will be an expectation that your child participates in the PE session.

Please could you remind your child that at times, a PE session may not go ahead due to unforeseen circumstances or because of special assemblies/visits. If this does happen then we do tell the children that this time will be made up later on.

Fruit/Snacks/Milk/Water

Your child will be able to choose a piece of fruit to eat every day. There will also be an opportunity for your child to purchase a piece of toast costing 20p per day (EYFS will be notified of the start date for this soon). Your child may bring their own fresh fruit or cereal bar to eat (**however we ask for nothing containing citrus, sesame or nuts due to severe allergies**). Milk is available, please sign up via 'cool milk' online. Children should bring their own water bottles into school which are clearly labelled (bottles can be purchased from the office). Water fountains are available in the Infant Unit for your child to refill their bottle throughout the day.

READING

Reading is an important part of our homework and something that we encourage children to do on a daily basis. There is an expectation that children will read every night. Information about days when your child's book can be changed will be shared in your class newsletter or welcome booklet. However, your child needs to bring their book everyday so children can read with an adult if required. Please provide your child with a book bag (no backpacks/large bags please) to take home reading books and letters.

CREATIVE CURRICULUM

Topic webs are always available on the website, on class pages, so that you can see what your child will be learning.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be set by the class teacher on a Friday. Each week the children will receive spellings which support our work in phonics and in Year 1 and 2 'Numbots' programme will be available for Maths homework. We are continuing to learn to write with a cursive script. Your child may bring home handwriting homework.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer some time to change books/listen to readers, please speak to a member of staff. We are always grateful for any time that could be shared.

APPOINTMENTS

All parents/carers must use 'Entry Sign' at the office to sign your child in/out for any medical appointment. Please show your child's appointment letter to the office staff.

AND FINALLY...

Let us hope we all have an enjoyable and productive year!



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