



ST. PAUL'S  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ENGAGE - INSPIRE - ACHIEVE

*From the words of St. Paul... 'Encourage one another and build each other up'.*

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him”  
*Romans 15:13'*

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### Headteacher updates...

Thank you to those who have given so generously and donated items for the PTA Christmas hampers today. Thank you to our wonderful PTA members who have given up their own time to organise and create the wonderful hampers.

### It's that time of year...

As part of our winter preparation, I would like to inform you that we take Health and Safety very seriously in school and in the unfortunate event of extreme weather; we will aim to remain open. If we have to close school due to dangerous weather conditions, we will update our school's [Twitter page @StPaulsCESch](#) at the earliest opportunity. We will also update our PTA Facebook page, our school website and we will inform BBC Radio Lancashire. Whilst waiting around our school grounds in your cars we would ask that you turn off your car engines in order to help to keep the air around school cleaner.

### Reception Class only - Vision Screening will take place on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.**

This is an OPT-OUT system. All children will have vision screening in school unless a reply slip is returned. An OPT-OUT letter is attached - **only complete if you want to Opt out.**

### Starting Reception in 2022 ...

For families living in the Lancashire area who require a primary place in September 2022 you can now apply online via Lancashire's online system at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

This is a quick and easy way and offers an email receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you hit the 'submit' button when you are ready to send in your completed online application. You must apply even if you have siblings at your preferred school or academy.

The closing dates for applications for September 2022 are at 11.59pm on:  
Primary applications - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

### Reflective Friday

Words can be very powerful.

Why not use them to lift people, rather than bring them down.



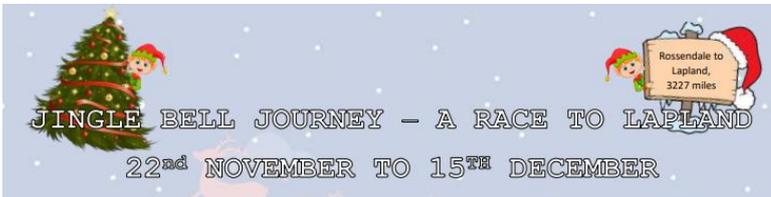


**St Paul's Awards.**

Well done **Outstanding Alders** you are this week's attendance winners with an amazing **100%**.

Keep up the great work! ☐

	<u>Learner of the Week</u>	<u>Our Topic Superstar</u>	<u>Our school Value Champion</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Amazing Acorns	Rupert	Amelie	Myla	99.65%
Awesome Ashes	Lucy	Ava	James T	95.86%
Super Sycamores	Rudy	Ola	Millie	96.79%
Outstanding Alders	Alders class for an amazing trip	Jessica Rose	Layton B	100% 
Enchanted Elms	Charlie	Christopher	Willow	96.56%
Marvellous Maples	Bella	Aqsa	Lexie	92.35%
Dazzling Elders	Louie	Toby B	Alfie	97.87%
Wonderful Willows	Lottie	Willows Class	Theo	97.62%
Mighty Oaks	Sophie	Alissa	Francesca	97.08%
Blossoms	Learner of the week	Eesa		



**Race to Lapland**

Did you know that it is 3277 miles to Lapland and our school is going to attempt to travel this distance over the next few weeks? During our Daily Mile, we are hoping to cover as much of

this distance in school but we need your support in being as active as possible outside of the school day. By walking, cycling, scooting or wheeling to school with your children, you will contribute to our school mile tally. Dog walks, runs, weekend bike rides can all be recorded too. So the more miles, the better!

If you do wish to participate, please use the following link to record any distances you complete .

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqKVWwUnOznV29uen0Ft1QEyXJ3bOHIBZPDsKPIFs3kmFnaA/viwwform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqKVWwUnOznV29uen0Ft1QEyXJ3bOHIBZPDsKPIFs3kmFnaA/viwwform?usp=sf_link)



**MEDICINE IN SCHOOL** - When antibiotic medicine is brought to school for school to administer the medicine **MUST** have your child's name and dosage on either the box or bottle.





## PTA

Thank you all for your kind donations to our Christmas hampers. We hope your children enjoyed their non-uniform day. Raffle tickets are available to buy on ParentPay for £1 each. We will allocate numbers and the draw will take place on 13th December. The draw will be posted on our PTA Facebook page and we will contact winners to arrange the hamper collections.

We are holding our AGM on Tuesday 30th November at 3:20pm in school. It would be lovely to see you there and also a good chance for parents to see how we work and get involved. We are always looking for volunteers.

The Christmas cards and mugs etc. that were ordered should have been sent home now, if you haven't received yours yet please speak to your child's teacher as they have all been handed into school now. There were some fantastic designs this year, so a huge well done to all the children.

Thanks for all your continuing support, it means the PTA can continue raising money to help fund special events and for extra items in school for our children.

Kath McArragher (PTA Chair)

## What's on in Rossendale...

Next week we will be sharing more information about the Holiday activity programme that will run over the Christmas period from Rossendale Leisure Trust

**HAF** HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME  
Rossendale  
Holiday Activities & Food

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN.  
PLEASE CLICK HERE OR VISIT [WWW.RLTRUST.CO.UK/HAF](http://WWW.RLTRUST.CO.UK/HAF)

Rossendale Leisure Trust  
Department for Education

**VALLEY GYMNASTICS ACADEMY**

**New Courses**  
Starting 8th November

10 WEEKS | GIRLS & BOYS | AGE 4-8+

To book call 01706 227016  
or visit our website [www.rltrust.co.uk/juniorcourses](http://www.rltrust.co.uk/juniorcourses)





Dates for your diary...

Date	Infants	Lower Juniors	Upper Juniors
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	3.20pm PTA AGM		
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Advent begins		
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Hanukkah begins		
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December		All Junior classes - Carol Service in church - We apologise due to rising cases of Covid this year it is just our children only	
		All Junior classes - Slumber Party	
	Acorns and Ashes Winter wonderland forest party		Oaks Willows and Elders - Christmas dinner
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Sycamores and Alders Slumber Party	Maples and Elms - Christmas dinner followed by Christmas party in the hall.	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	All infant classes - Christmas dinner Sycamores and Alders Winter wonderland forest party		Oaks Willows and Elders Christmas party in the hall.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for the end of term 1.35pm		





## Action for Happiness Calendar

This month, we're encouraging you to try something new! Learning something new or getting involved in an activity that really absorbs and interests us is for our wellbeing. Keeping our brains active is not only good for us physically but it can help you feel you are flourishing as you see yourself make progress with a new skill, or just make you smile as you make a mess and decide to start again. :) Being playful and trying new things is important, as is remembering that it's OK not to get it right first time - change "I can't do it", into "I can't do it...yet!" This month's calendar is full of ideas to help you decide what to try next.

**New Ways November 2021**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month	2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way	3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you	4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community	5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel	6 Try out a new way of being physically active	7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire
8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week	9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet!"	10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea	11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way	12 Find out something new about someone you care about	13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax	14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about
15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."	16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective	17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself	18 Connect with someone from a different generation	19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site	20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before	21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them	23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love	24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently	25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way	26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show	27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it	28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card
29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen	30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times					

**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS** Happier · Kinder · Together

I hope you all our families and staff have a wonderful weekend.  
Mrs Charlesworth

