



ST. PAUL'S
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 11th December 2020

Headteacher news

I would like to confirm that we will **not** be changing our holiday pattern and we will remain open on Friday 18th December. Please check below to confirm the closing time for your child's bubble if they are not in BYT.

Please can we remind parents of children who attend BYT on Friday that it will close at 5.00pm.

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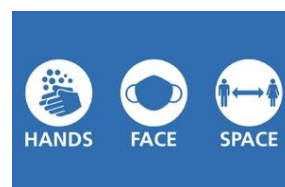
Gentle reminder, as the holiday will be our only opportunity to mix with other family households and we want you to have a safe and enjoyable Christmas, if your child or anyone in your household next week has any symptoms please ensure that you refrain from bringing them into school until your test results have returned. **It is not just your household that is affected if the virus comes into school. It also means that all the keyworker families in our school cannot spend time with their families during the period over Christmas.**

Please ensure that you abide by the current restrictions and do not mix with other households other than your support bubble on the run up to the five-day Christmas period.

I hope we will all be able to enjoy a safe, happy and peaceful Christmas with our families after this extraordinarily tough year.



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Rossendale Hospice

Thank you to everyone who very kindly gave to the Rossendale Hospice appeal. We managed to raise a grand total of **£179.55**

Poppy Appeal



Well done to everyone - our school collected the most money out of all the schools in our local area - we collected an amazing **£511.01 !!!!!**

Christmas Jumper Day

We have had a great day today dressed in our Christmas jumpers and completing our Santa sleigh dash. Next week we have lot's planned to try to make the week enjoyable for all the children.

Race to Lapland

Don't forget to log your miles for the Race to Lapland on the form

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfyCbA1gl2xhjQfmKSD1jVrOt7iGso1Bc1wffUGNELX1blr4Q/viewform>

There are some great prizes up for grabs for the children who log the most active miles outside of school (these can be walked, jogged, cycled, scooted or wheeled!) as well as a special prize for the school with the most miles logged (both in school and outside school as a total).

Christmas Party

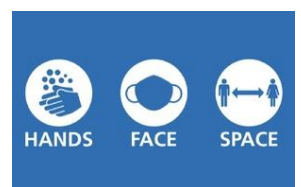
This year we are moving out of the building and into the forest for our Christmas parties throughout the final week in school. We will spend a full session in the forest where it will be dressed as a winter wonderland. The children will find Santa's grotto, they will warm themselves around the fire pit, have hot chocolate, marshmallows and play party games.

Please ensure that your child is suitably dressed in warm and waterproof clothing for Forest School on the following days.

	Mon 14 th Dec	Tues 15 th Dec	Wed 16 th Dec	Thurs 17 th Dec	Fri 18 th Dec
AM	Elders	Elms	Maples	Sycamores	Acorns
PM	Oaks	Alders	Ashes	Willows	School Closed



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It's that time of year...

Winter weather

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.

PTA News

The draw for the Christmas hampers is early next week. **Don't forget to get your raffle tickets on Parent pay by 9am Monday 14th** to be in with a chance of winning one of our fantastic hampers. We'll be allocating numbers and drawing the winners week commencing 14th Dec. Good Luck everyone.

REMINDER



It wouldn't be Christmas without a pantomime and although the children are unable to visit the theatre this year, we are helping the theatre to come to school. During next week each class will have the opportunity to close all the blinds, put up the fairy lights, take out the snacks, crisps and drinks and watch an online production of Jack and the Beanstalk.

We are asking for a £2 donation by Parent Pay for each child to cover the costs of the production and treats. If you have not paid already, please can you pay this as soon as possible. Many thanks.

If you are shopping at Amazon, please use the link: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1114103-0> and Amazon donates to our PTA to help us raise funds and donate resources to each of our classes, at no cost to you.

Thank you for your Support.

Kath McArragher (PTA Chair)

Flu Immunisation

If your child was absent on the days the Nasal Flu spray was given and you gave consent either via E-Consent or paper consent form then the team will be coming back to school after Christmas. Should you think this may be too late, please contact your GP for an appointment.

Reflective Friday



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Living by our school values.

Each month, as part of our work based on our school values and to inspire practical actions for a happier and more caring society; our classes work through the action for happiness calendars. December is our **Do good Kindness** month.

2020 has been a difficult year in so many ways. We have suffered with uncertainty, anxiety, isolation and challenges with our financial situation, health or relationships. One thing that can hold us together and help us get through is **kindness**. Although we can't change our situation, we can choose to respond to others (and ourselves) with kindness. And when we're kind, everything goes better. We help others, we help ourselves and we encourage others to be kinder too. **#DoGoodDecember**

KINDNESS CALENDAR: DECEMBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 Share the Kindness Calendar with others and spread kindness	2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment	4 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	5 Make a gift for someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	6 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about
7 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member	9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead	10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them	11 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	12 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	13 See how many different people you can smile at today
14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one	15 Contact an elderly neighbour and brighten up their day	16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	17 Practice gratitude. List the kind things others have done for you	18 Give away something that you have been holding on to	19 Buy locally and support independent shops near you	20 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated
21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you	22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh	25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat
28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy	29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why	31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2021	<p>Let's look beyond our differences and help each other. Every act of kindness matters </p>		

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

#DoGoodDecember

www.actionforhappiness.org

Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

Learn more about this month's theme at www.actionforhappiness.org/do-good-december

See next page for Diary Dates



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Dates for your diary...

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Friday 18 th December	School closes for the end of term from 1.30pm		
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