

St. Paul's Church of England Primary Newsletter

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

Friday 11th September 2023

Headteachers News

School grounds

We realise how difficult it can be to park close to school, especially on wet days however please be mindful of the same parking etiquette on school grounds as on the the public roads. Please do NOT park in the disabled spaces or in our STAFF carpark even when dropping off and collecting for BYT and be respectful to our neighbours by not blocking their driveways or leave your engines running. We must all play a part in keeping our children safe. We would encourage as many of you to walk or cycle to school.

We will always be polite and show respect to you. In return, we ask the same of you. We won't help you if you shout or swear at our staff or any other parent if you're aggressive or violent towards them.

If you 're aggressive towards our staff and parents, they will have our full support and we will contact the police.

A huge thank you to the greater majority of our parents who do park courteously, who are polite, respectful and help us to keep all our children and site users safe.

Back to school preparation for September

Lunchtime & snack reminders from September

Friendly reminder for parents when packing snacks and lunches. We have pupils with severe airborne allergies in school, therefore please can you ensure that you only pack food **without Sesame, nuts and citrus** to enable us to keep children safe and healthy. Please note that staff will remove any items of food or drinks that contain these ingredient's in order to safeguard children and staff.

All children are encouraged to bring a bottle of water with their name marked on the bottle filled with water. Children have access to refilling their water bottle at key times of the day to ensure they are

hydrated. Should you wish to buy a school water bottle please pay on Parentpay and then collect the bottle from the school office.

We also provide toast as a morning snack at a cost of 20p per day.

Change of details

Please can all parents inform us of any changes to mobile numbers, email addresses, home address and in addition make the changes on your Parent pay account. We cannot access your account to update this for you.

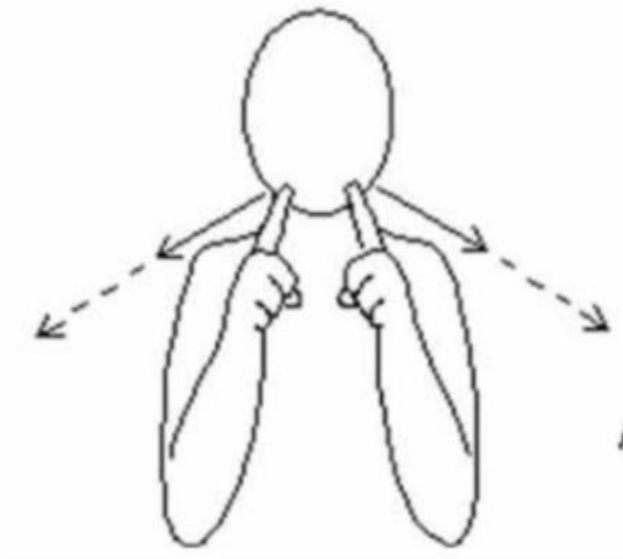
Communication

We would like to thank you for your patience as we have been working behind the scenes to ensure as much information as possible has been able to get out to you all whilst our systems have been down. We are hoping that the majority of the work has now been completed and hope that ParentPay is back up and running from Monday.

Please can we ask that if you need to contact your child's class teacher that you do so by calling school and leaving message with the office or by emailing school@constablelee.lancs.sch.uk and we will send any communication on to the teaching staff. At St. Paul's CE Primary school we encourage all of our staff to have a healthy work-life balance. Staff may choose to respond to emails outside of the hours of the traditional working day, over the weekend or during a holiday period, but this is not an expectation. Therefore, if emails are received during these times, it is likely that the response will be delayed. Thank you in advance for your understanding and support in helping us to promote the health and happiness of our staff.

Word of the week

Each week the children in the EYFS & KS1 have been learning a new word in British sign language. We thought it would be lovely if we shared each week's new word on the newsletter so that we can all learn together. This week the infants are learning how to sign the word 'teacher.'



Dates for your diary for the Autumn term ...

- Wednesday 27th September - Book Fair
 - Thursday 28th September - EYFS Welcome service at St. Paul's Church
 - Friday 29th September - Macmillan Coffee afternoon - 2.00pm-3.00pm
 - Tuesday 10th October - Hello Yellow day
 - Tuesday 17th October - Harvest service
 - Friday 20th October - School finishes at 3.10pm for Half term
 - Monday 30th October School re-opens for the second half of the Autumn term
 - Friday 10th November - Individual and sibling photographs (am)
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PE timetable - Autumn 1

<i>St. Paul's PE.</i>					
	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Amazing Acorns			Indoor PE		
Awesome Ashes	Indoor PE				
Super Sycamores		Indoor PE with Sports coaches	Outdoor PE		
Outstanding Alders		Indoor PE with Sports coaches		Outdoor PE	
Enchanted Elms	Outdoor PE			Indoor PE	
Marvellous Maples	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE			
Dazzling Elders	Outdoor PE			Indoor PE	
Wonderful Willows			Indoor PE		Outdoor PE
Mighty Oaks	Swimming				Indoor PE

If you child has outdoor PE they will need (weather dependent) Suncream, water bottle, PE hoody.

All classes other than Acorns and Ashes will need to bring their PE kit and leave it in school. Acorns and Ashes can come to school for the day in their PE Kit which consists of Navy-blue shorts, tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt, PE hoody/school jumper and pumps.

Forest School timetable - Autumn 1

Week starting 18/9/2023

- *Monday -*
 - *Tuesday - Acorns*
 - *Wednesday - Ashes*
 - *Thursday - Oaks*
 - *Friday - Sycamores*
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Attendance/Holiday information

Attendance to school is compulsory, all children must attend every day unless they are ill or have symptoms of Covid.

We are unable to authorise any absences that are not illness related unless in exceptional circumstances. There is a leave of absence form available from the school office however, we would ask that all holidays are taken within the holiday periods and not in term time, to avoid a fine from Lancashire County Council. A holiday list for this academic year is on our school website. [School-Holidays-23-24.pdf](#) (stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk)

To enable us to safeguard our children, may we request that if your child is absent from school you, please telephone the school on 01706 215893 by 09:00am to inform us. If we have not received a call, a member of our office staff will call you to ensure that your child is at home and is safe.

Let's celebrate weekly awards

	<u>Learner of the week</u>	<u>Topic award learner of the week</u>	<u>Value winner</u>
Amazing Acorns	Bear	Matilda	Autumn
Awesome Ashes	Heidi	Isaac	Charlotte
Super Sycamores	Evelyn & Henry	Daisy	Albie
Outstanding Alders	Ruben	Tobiah	Frasier
Enchanted Elms	John-Paul	Riley	Lucy
Marvellous Maples	Eryn	Elise & Annie	Harry
Dazzling Elders	Ruby	Zayaan	Raphi
Wonderful Willows	Mac	Ben B	Millie
Mighty Oaks	Jessica	Penny	Ayla
Budding Blossoms		Riley	

Starting Reception in 2024 or moving onto high school ...

For families living in the Lancashire area who require a primary or secondary school place in September 2023 you can now apply online via Lancashire's online system at:

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 2024 are at 11.59pm on:

Secondary applications – 31st October 2023

Primary applications – 15th January 2024

PTA

On Friday 29th September we will be having our Macmillan coffee afternoon 2.00pm -

3.00pm in the school hall (entry through the school office doors). This is open to all parents,

carers and younger siblings. It's a lovely way to meet up with other parents/carers over a brew and a piece of cake. We also need plenty of cake donations to make the event a success, shop bought, or home made ALL are very welcome!

(Please note no nuts, sesame seeds or citrus fruit in cakes e.g. lemon drizzle due to allergies of children within school). We are looking for volunteers to help us out at this event, if you can help please message us on our PTA Facebook page or leave your name and contact details at the school office and we will get back to you.

We look forward to seeing you.

Many thanks

Kath McArragher (PTA chair)

This week we have been learning...

This week in Ashes we have been looking at the 3 little pigs story. We have been making our own houses, looking at the characters and role playing as the big bad wolf! Just a reminder that we have our first forest school session on Wednesday. Forest school kits should be kept in school every half term. Please can you ensure this is in school on Monday.







Reflective Friday



'A generous man will himself be blessed for he shares his food with the poor' Proverbs 22:9

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Charlesworth