



St. Paul's Church of England Primary Newsletter November 24

Friday 22nd November 2024

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

Headteacher news

As we approach the festive season, I want to take a moment to reflect on recent events and look ahead to the exciting activities coming up at our school.

First and foremost, I'd like to express my gratitude to you for your patience and understanding during our delayed start to the day. The adverse weather conditions presented quite a challenge, but your flexibility and support were truly appreciated. I'm also incredibly proud of our dedicated staff who braved the difficult travel conditions to ensure we could open our doors for those able to make it in.

The coming weeks promise to be bustling with activity. Parents' evening is on the horizon, offering a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and strengthen our home-school partnership. Please remember, these are brief five-minute slots. If you need more time, we'll be happy to arrange a separate appointment to ensure all parents have equal opportunity to speak with our teachers.

For our EYFS families, we're hosting a Stay and Play session. This is a chance for your child to show you their learning environment and for you to chat with our EYFS team. While most parents will want to discuss how their child has settled in, please raise any specific concerns separately from this event.

We're eagerly awaiting the delivery of Cauliflower Cards and cups, a lovely showcase of our pupils' creativity.

The magic of the season will truly come alive with our Infant Nativity performances, which are always heart-warming and a joy to watch. Our older pupils will be spreading festive cheer through the Junior Christmas Carol Service, a joyous celebration of Christmas Carols, made extra special at St. Paul's Church.

Our younger pupils are in for a treat with the upcoming Christmas Experience, while the Juniors will enjoy the timeless tradition of a pantomime visit. These events not only entertain but also enrich our pupils' cultural experiences.

Music will fill the air as we round off our festivities with a Guitar and Ukulele concert, providing a wonderful opportunity for our budding musicians to showcase their talents.

Each of these events represents a chance for us to come together, celebrate our pupils' achievements, and create lasting memories.

As we navigate this busy period, let's remember the joy and warmth that these activities bring to our school life. Your continued support and engagement make all of this possible, and for that, I am truly grateful.

PTA

On behalf of the PTA, we would like to extend our sincere apologies for the postponement of our Annual General Meeting (AGM). The recent adverse weather conditions led us to make the difficult decision to reschedule this important event. We believe that this was the right choice, as it ensures that all parents will have the opportunity to join us when we reconvene in the new year.

To those parents who were ready to join us and contribute their time and ideas, please know that your willingness to participate is deeply appreciated. Your commitment to being an active part of our school community doesn't go unnoticed, and it's this kind of engagement that helps make St. Paul's the special place it is.

We will inform you of a new date in the new year, for our AGM in the coming weeks at a time when everyone can safely attend. This meeting is an important opportunity for us to come together, share our achievements, discuss our plans for the future, and hear your valuable input.

Our next event is on **Friday 29th November**, where we invite all children to “wear what they want” for the day! This event runs in conjunction with our Christmas hamper raffle, so we are asking that in return, each child bring in an item to donate towards our hampers, for example mince pies, chocolates, crackers or biscuits.

Thank you for your continued support

Bonnie Smith

PTA Chair



PTA Christmas Hamper
“Wear what you want day”
Friday 29th November 2024

Dear parents/carers,

We are once again organising a Christmas hamper raffle to raise funds for the PTA. We ask for each family to bring a contribution towards the hampers and as a thank you for hamper donations the children will be able to “wear what they want” for one day in school on Friday 29th November 2024.

Please make sure your children’s clothing is suitable for the weather on that day.

We would be grateful for donations of Christmas related items on Friday 29th November.

We have listed some suggestions below. Please note that they need to be non-perishable items and to have a sell by date of at least 31 December 2024. We are accepting products containing citrus this year where items are bought and sealed in packaging.

- ❖ Chocolates
- ❖ Biscuits, Crackers, Crisps
- ❖ Christmas pudding, mince pies, Panettone, Lebkuchen
- ❖ Soft drinks

This year we intend to donate a hamper to a deserving family within our school community who may have had a difficult year.

Raffle tickets can be purchased on Parentpay for £1 each and we will allocate numbers. Sales will close on Friday 13th December.

The draw will take place on Monday 16th December around 7pm live on our Facebook page and we will contact the winners to arrange the hamper collections before school closes on Friday 20th December.

If you have any questions please ask a member of the PTA, email us or contact us through our Facebook page, details for which can be found below.

Thank you for your support in making these Christmas hampers a great success.

St Paul’s PTA

www.facebook.com/stpaulsrawtenstallpta stpaulsrawtenstallpta@gmail.com www.twitter.com/stpaulsptabb4

Celebrating art in our school

[St Paul's C of E School Art Gallery](#)

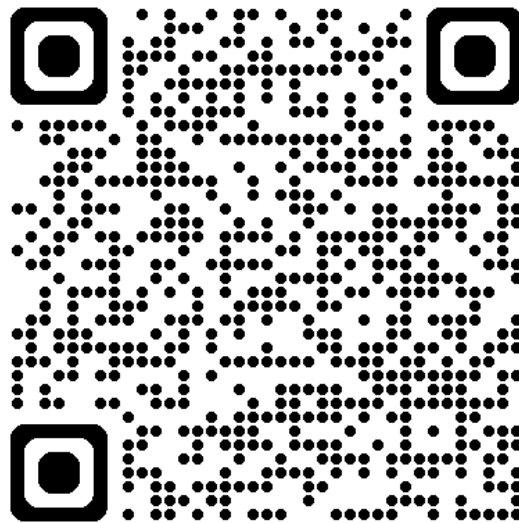
As I walk through the corridors and classrooms of our wonderful school, I'm constantly reminded of the incredible talent and creativity that our pupils possess. It's a joy to witness their artistic expressions adorning our walls, bringing colour and life to every corner of St. Paul's.

One of the many things I truly cherish about my role as Headteacher is the opportunity to see the amazing artwork our pupils create. Each piece tells a unique story, showcasing not only their artistic skills but also their imagination, dedication, and growth. From vibrant paintings to intricate sculptures, every creation is a testament to the hard work and passion of our young artists.

I often find myself pausing in front of these displays, taking a moment to appreciate the thought and effort that goes into each masterpiece. It's not just about the final product, but the journey of learning and self-expression that each artwork represents.

I'm excited to share this experience this joy alongside me. We've created a QR code that will allow you to view a selection of our pupils' artwork from wherever you are. Simply scan the code with your smartphone, and you'll be transported into a virtual gallery of our school's artistic achievements.

I encourage you to take a moment to explore this digital showcase. Share it with your family and friends, and let's celebrate the creativity and hard work of our pupils together. It's an opportunity for you to see our school through my eyes and share in the pride I feel every day.



St Paul's Mental Health Ambassadors

Our Mindfulness Ambassadors are doing a fantastic job at delivering our Lunchtime sessions. Each week they plan a different activity as well as hosting an emotions drop-in session. They take their roles very seriously and deliver it perfectly.



[myHappyMind Parent App Introduction - England & Wales](#)

myHappyMind is delivered in our school by our class teachers through a series of interactive lessons and then the children apply these learnings throughout the day.

To further embed this learning, myHappyMind has developed a Parent App. These resources can be accessed online on your computer, or through an app on your phone. The Parent App will support you as a parent in understanding what your child is learning, activities for you to do together at home and also a Kids Zone featuring myHappyMind Games plus much more!

To access these materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> to create your free account. You will need to enter your name, email, and authentication code.

Your authentication code is 119367

Once you have created your account, you will receive an email with the next steps on downloading the app.

We really encourage you to make use of this free content so that you can support your child in getting the best out of the curriculum.

If you have any questions about myHappyMind, please contact your class teacher.

If you have any technical questions about accessing the resources, please contact hello@myHappyMind.org



Dates for your diary...



Tuesday 26th November and Thursday 28th November - Parents evening

Thursday 28th November - Flu Vaccinations

Friday 29th November - PTA Non uniform day/hamper collection

Wednesday 11th December ...

- Junior panto day
- Infants Christmas experience
- Infants Christmas Dinner

Thursday 12th December

- Junior Christmas lunch
- Infant nativity at 1.30pm and 5.30pm. **(This is a ticket only event)**

Tuesday 17th December - Alders and Sycamore Class party

Wednesday 18th December - Acorns, Berries and Ashes Class party

Thursday 19th December

- Junior Carol service in church

- Elms and Maples Class party

Friday 20th December

End of term celebration worship

Oak, Elders, Willows Class party

School closes at 1.35pm

Influenza vaccinations

Flu Immunisation vaccinations will take place in school on THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, please follow this link to complete an online consent form.

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/032f5d11>

This link will close on the 14th November 2024

If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 3583 397, Option 2, Option 2.

In the meantime, if you have already taken your child to the doctors or chemist to have the Flu vaccine, please kindly inform the school office.

Thank you.

Have your circumstances changed? Apply for free school meals.



For any parents/carers, **whose circumstances have changed** and think their child(ren) may be entitled to Free School Meals, please can an application form be completed. Parents can apply electronically via the link below:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=3>

Registering for the Free School Meal service also means the school will receive additional funding for your child, which is called Pupil Premium.

Please note that younger siblings of pupils who are already entitled will not automatically qualify for Free School Meals. If a family's circumstances have changed and cease to be entitled to qualifying benefits, the elder children will be protected but any new children will not qualify. This is why Pupil Access Team require applications completing so they can properly assess new sibling's entitlement.

Have you started your Christmas shopping? Fundraise for school in a way that does not cost you anything.

Easyfunding



We're now registered with Easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use Easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to

yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use Easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE!

These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-pauls-rawtenstall/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=email-1

Attendance/Holiday information

Attendance to school is compulsory, all children must attend every day unless they are ill.

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.

What to do if my child is ill.

Despite school being cleaned daily using antibacterial solutions with the use of antibacterial soap and hand gels available for all to use freely. It is that time of year where illness and viruses start to unfold.

- The NHS have a helpful guide should you wish to use this. [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)
- Please can you ensure that your child does not attend school for 48 hours after they have last vomited or had diarrhoea.

We are still encouraging good respiratory hygiene i.e. covering their nose/mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, discarding tissues after use and washing hands with soap and water. It is important to reduce the risk to others.

Can you authorise my child's absence?

As many of you are aware, 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.

Important Update – Changes to Education-related Penalty Notices from September 2024

Information for Parents



You may be aware that the Department for Education announced national changes to penalty notices issued for unauthorised absence in term time. These changes will come into effect on 19 August 2024.

The changes to be aware of are:

Please note that school does not receive any money for penalty notices.

- Penalty notices issued for offences that take place after 19 August 2024 will be charged at a **new rate of £160 per parent per child. This can be paid at £80 if paid within 21 days.**
- A second penalty notice issued to the same parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period will be issued at the rate of £160 to be paid within 28 days with no option for a discounted rate.
- The threshold at which a penalty notice **must** be considered is set at 10 sessions (equivalent to 5 days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school week period^[1]. This may include absences as a result of arriving late after the register closes. The 10 school weeks may span different terms or school years.
- A maximum of 2 penalty notices may be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period, so at the 3rd (or subsequent) offence(s) another course of action will need to be considered (such as prosecution or one of the other attendance legal interventions).
- This also includes pupils with persistent absences.
- Only penalty notices issued for absences taking place after 19 August 2024 will count towards the above thresholds.

Absences can have a lasting effect on learning

Missing a week of school means your child will miss around 25 hours of learning
This creates gaps in their knowledge and could mean they will not meet their full potential

[1] A school week is any week in which a school meets at least once.

Holiday list 2024/25



School Holidays 2024/2025

AUTUMN TERM 2024

Staff Training Days Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Re-open Wednesday 4th September 2024

Mid Term Closure Monday 21st October -

Friday 25th October 2024 (inclusive)

Re-open Monday 28th October 2024

Closure 1.35pm on Friday 20th December 2024

SPRING TERM 2025

Re-open Monday 6th January 2025

Mid Term Closure Monday 17th February –

Friday 21st February 2025 (inclusive)

Re-open Monday 24th February 2025

Closure after school on Friday 4th April 2025

SUMMER TERM 2025

Re-open on Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Staff Training Day Friday 2nd May 2025

May Day Closure Monday 5th May 2025

Mid Term Closure Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025 (inclusive)

Re-open on Monday 2nd June 2025

Closure after school on Friday 18th July 2025

Staff Training Days Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd July 2025

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD WHO MAY BE BEING NEGLECTED...



If you are a young person, you can contact 2-10pm, 365 days a year.
Phone on 0800 51 11 11
Text on 07786 51 11 11
Email: talkzone@lancashire.gov.uk



NSPCC

If you are an adult or professional,
call 0300 123 6720



For more information
www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/neglect/



Lancashire Family Hubs

For more information, scan the QR code or visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/family-hubs/



Healthy Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

For more information, scan the QR code or visit <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/school-holiday-activities/>

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Time out for parent courses



*Believing in you
Believing in Better*

Call or text 07877 714693

4X 2hr Sessions

Scan to book - in the drop down box, please make sure you select the course and date required

**HANDLING
ANGER IN
THE
FAMILY**

Promoting healthy tips with our children & family members and strategies to handle anger better.

September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 9.30am - 11.30am

ASD

Understanding autism and the way it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 6.30pm - 8.30pm
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 12.45pm - 2.45pm
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 6.30pm - 8.30pm

ADHD

Understanding ADHD and how it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 9.30am - 11.30am
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 12.45pm - 2.45pm

**THE
TEENAGE
YEARS**

The Teenage Years can sometimes be a challenge. This course explores the issues affecting teenagers & their parents.

June 4, 11, 18, 25th & July 2nd 6.30pm - 8.30pm
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8, 15th Oct 1st, 8th 9.30am - 11.30am
November 5, 12, 19, 26th & Dec 3rd 6.30pm - 8.30pm

This week we have been learning...



Brilliant Berries

As always, the Berries have worked so hard with all their individual targets, we now have children writing their names and spelling lots of words. I am so proud of them all! They are amazing.

Our topic this week have been Science. We have been looking at herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We have decided what we are, created plates for each carnivore, herbivore and omnivore and also looked at animals and grouped them accordingly. The children have really enjoyed their activities this week and put a lot of effort into their work.

Due to the cold weather, lots of children are wearing gloves, hats and scarves. Please ensure that everything is labelled so they can be returned if these items get lost.

Dates for your diary

- Parents Evening- Tuesday 26th (please do speak to me if you still need to organise a date/time)
- PTA Raffle donation non-uniform day - Friday 29th November
- Infant pantomime in school - Wednesday 11th December
- Christmas party - Wednesday 18th December (more details to follow)

- School closes Friday 20th December at 1.35pm

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Taylor & Mrs Coleman

[Amazing Acorns](#)



Can you believe we are halfway through another half term, where is time going? Another fantastic week for Acorns, all working so hard and making everyone extremely proud!

In English this week, we have begun to explore our exciting new text, 'Only One You', it is a beautiful story about how we are all different in our own way. We have been describing the fish and used our phonics knowledge to write some captions. We have looked at the different patterns of the fish and all about the rainbow. We have even created our own fish, which we can't wait for you to see at our 'Stay and Play' on the 3rd of December.

In maths, we have been exploring number 7 which we have linked to the colours of the rainbow and 'Only One of Us', we have been practising our gross motor skills by doing 7 jump, 7 skips, 7 toe touches etc... The children have really enjoyed practising number 7. You could continue at home by asking your children to count to 7 in lots of different ways, can they seven spoons? Or seven colours?

We are extremely proud of their singing; they are enjoying our nativity practice, and it is really coming together now! We can't wait for you to see it.

This week has seen some very cold weather, so it is important that your child has a coat in school with them each day. Please can coats, gloves and hats be named, as they often do get lost and lots of items that are the same.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend,

The EYFS team

[Awesome Ashes](#)



What a wonderful week! We have been busy writing information sentences about schools long ago this week after finding out about how different they used to be. We even had a special visitor answer some of our questions! We enjoyed a wintery day on Tuesday, playing in the snow- making snow angels and snowmen and wrote some wonderful adjectives to record our time in the snow. In Maths, children in Reception have been working on number 7 and children in Year 1 have been learning about fractions- finding out about equal parts to make a whole. Library books will be changed each Wednesday, so please bring them into school).

Reception

Our stay and play event will be held on Tuesday 3rd December, it would be lovely to see you there, chat to you about the children's progress, see their wonderful learning and let them show you their classroom, activities and new friends!

Weather

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Dates for your diary

- Parents Evening- Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th November (please do speak to me if you still need to organise a date/time)
- PTA Raffle donation non-uniform day - Friday 29th November
- Ashes Forest School session- Friday 29th November
- Infant pantomime in school- Wednesday 11th December
- Infant Nativity- Thursday 12th December 1.30pm and 5.30pm (more details about tickets to follow)
- Acorns and Ashes Christmas party - Wednesday 18th December (more details to follow)
- School closes Friday 20th December at 1.35pm

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Fielding

[Super Sycamores](#)



This week we have been squeezing in lots of singing practice in preparation for the Christmas Nativity. In RE we have been learning more about the Christmas story and thinking about how the characters would be feeling when they met baby Jesus.

In Science we have begun to learn about our senses and learnt how our eyes let us see. We tested our pupils by making it very dark and used a mirror to see what happened when we opened our eyes to the classroom lights. We then completed a tally chart to see what the most popular colour of eyes was in the class.

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Dates for your diary

- Parents Evening- Tuesday 26th and Thursday 28th November (please do speak to me if you still need to organise a date/time)
- Forest school - Thursday 28th November
- PTA Raffle donation non-uniform day - Friday 29th November
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- Sycamores and Alders Christmas party Tuesday 17th December (more details to follow)
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Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs de Boutemard

Outstanding Alders



Curriculum news

We have started our new unit in Maths all about statistics. We have been looking at tables of data and talking about them. In English we have been writing a fact file all about African animals. We will be writing our own independent fact file next week. We have also been sketching animals in the style of the artist Pete Cromer.

We have also been learning about the Christmas story which ties in with our nativity story.

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Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Cavaney.

Enchanted Elms



This week in English the children have wrote their own leaflets for London, they even got to read and shown their leaflets to Alders Class. In maths we have been dividing using arrays, bread strings and problem solving they have really persevered and shown they are great at dividing.

In R.E we have looked at the big freeze story and discussed what they could see and linked it to the Trinity. In Art we have been learning about Venessa Scott, the children recreated some of her art using different media.

Ukulele concert

Elms children will be holding a ukulele concert for Elms parents on **Friday 13th December 2024 at 2:40pm** to showcase their amazing skills they have learnt over the Autumn term.

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PE

P.E is on Tuesdays we have the coach and then its outdoor slot for **4 weeks**.

Forest School

- Monday 25th November 2024
- Monday 9th December 2024

Dates for your diary

- PTA Raffle donation non-uniform day - Friday 29th November
- Junior trip to the Panto - Wednesday 11th December (a packed lunch will be required on this day)
- Junior Christmas Lunch - Thursday 12th December (please order through ParentPay before Friday 22nd November)
- Ukulele Concert – Friday 13th December 2024 – 2:40PM - Elms Parents
- Junior Christmas Carol Service - Thursday 19th December 2024 in St Paul's Church at 9.30am
- Lower Key Stage Unit (Elms and Maples) Christmas party - Thursday 19th December 2024

Hope you have a lovely weekend

Miss Cowgill





Marvellous Maples



Maples have had a very busy week. In maths, we have been continuing our multiplication unit and solving problems using all the methods we have practised. The children would benefit from practising their times tables more as this is used in so many aspects in the maths curriculum. Please use the log in details in your child's reading diary for ttrs.

In English, the children have been looking at how to introduce our monster and the details we need to include for the reader. We have also begun mapping out our story, which we will begin writing next week. In science, we looked at how to change the state of substances. The children looked at ice and how this changes to water and vice versa. Some of the children were very knowledgeable.

Please ensure your child brings their PE kits to school every Tuesday and Friday.

Next week is parents evening. If you would like to book an appointment there are still a few slots available.

Have a great weekend.

Miss Yates

Dazzling Elders



It's been a lovely week in Elders class!

This week in English the children have been writing a narrative blending description and dialogue. All the children have worked so hard to include fronted adverbials for when and where, expanded noun phrases and to punctuate the speech.

In Science, they have been investigating thermal insulators and conductors. They put snow in beakers and wrapped the beakers in different materials to find out which material kept the snow coldest for longer. The children found that the fleece was most effective as a thermal insulator.

We have focused on division by chunking in Maths. The children have really persevered and have made fantastic progress in their understanding of chunking. Please keep encouraging your child to use TT Rockstars to practice their times tables, a good recall of the facts helps so much with division.

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- Upper Unit (Elders, Willows, Oaks) Christmas party - Friday 20th December

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Nolan

[Wonderful Willows](#)



As always, another week packed with learning and opportunities in the Willow's class.

Forest

We thoroughly enjoyed our forest school session. For part of our lesson we were identifying the different leaf types at forest school, then we collected them to try to write our names. After that, we fully embraced the mud slide, tree swing and climbing while other children reenacted Viking raids. It was so rewarding to watch our children enjoy the great outdoors.

Science

This week our science experiment was supposed to include ice cubes, thanks to mother nature we managed to embrace the snow and use it to test our theories on thermal insulators. We

tested five varied materials to see which could preserve the snowball the longest. At the end of our investigation, we found out that the bubble wrap was the best material to use.

English

We are so proud of our Wonderful Willow writers this week. We have come to the end of our unit of work, and we are very excited to read the final result. We have been working on producing a biography based on a famous magician. Throughout the unit, we have been learning to use cohesive devices, relative clauses and 'ing' starters. Every child has put so much effort into producing a fantastic piece of work, well done Willow's class.

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- Upper Unit (Elders, Willows, Oaks) Christmas party - Friday 20th December

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Todd









Mighty Oaks



Already we have reached the half way point of the term, with this week proving to be another busy week in class. In English, we are well underway with our war poetry unit. The children have been reading a range of poems and creating their own examples of imagery. This is all in preparation for writing our own war poem. We have been using our times tables knowledge in

maths where we have been simplifying, adding and subtracting fractions. Well done to the children for persevering with some challenging concepts.

Swimming

All groups now need to bring shorts and t shirts to the swimming sessions each week.

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Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Lee

[St. Paul's Church Worship](#)





Christmas
MAKE & TAKE

Crafts | Story | Refreshments
for
Preschool - Junior Age Children

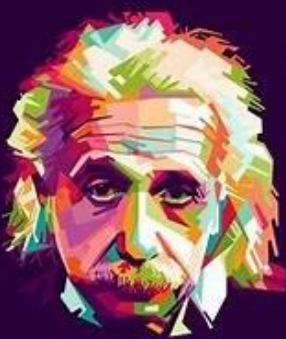
Saturday 30th
November
From 2pm to 4pm

St Mary's Church
Rawtenstall
BB4 8SQ

FREE | NO NEED TO BOOK!



Reflective Friday



**If you want to live
a happy life, tie
it to a goal, not
to people or
things.**

-Albert Einstein

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Hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Charlesworth

