



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'.

'When I'm afraid, I put my trust in you'

Psalm 56.3

Friday 30th September 2022

Headteacher news

Thank you to all the EYFS and KS1 parents who came to our phonics and reading workshops this week. It has been wonderful to see so many of you. We hope you found the sessions useful and picked up some tips on how to read and support your child with their learning at home. If you have any questions at all, please pop in to ask or email school@constablelee.lancs.sch.uk. Just a reminder, you can find additional information on how you can support your child with their learning on our school website at <https://stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk/curriculum-subjects/>. Copies of the presentations are also available on our website in case you were unable to attend the workshops.

Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 3rd October will be the final day of our Scholastic book fair (including this date). The book fair will be available from 3:10pm-3:30pm in the school hall or outside (weather permitting) where there will be a wide range of brand new and exciting books suitable for all ages. There are over 200 titles to choose from with books starting at £2.99. Every book you buy will help get us to get free books for our school library. As well as books, there will be a range of stationery to purchase. We look forward to seeing you there. If your child is in BYT, they will also have the opportunity to purchase books if they bring money into school.

Hello Yellow

On Monday 10th October it is 'Hello Yellow' day. A day where we raise the awareness of mental health and wellbeing. To celebrate this, we would like your child to come to school dressed in as much yellow as you can and if possible, donate £1 on the ParentPay website to help support Young Minds. Thank you for your support, we look forward to seeing you all dressed brightly! (Please do not worry if you have nothing yellow. Please do not go out and buy something new. It is absolutely fine to continue to wear School uniform on this day too.)



Harvest

We are excited to be going back to St Paul's Church for our Harvest Service this year on **Thursday 13th October**.

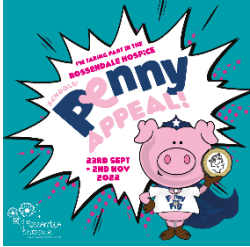
We would really like to support the valuable work of RAFT foodbank again this year and are asking for donations. They are particularly in need of tinned meat (corned beef or ham), tinned potatoes, tomatoes, long life milk and jam. **Donations can be brought into school on Thursday 13th October** and will be collected





by RAFT later that morning. Crates will be placed outside classroom doors and the door outside BYT on Tuesday morning for you to drop off any donations. Many thanks for your support.

Hospice Penny Appeal



As you some of you are aware, every year we support Rossendale Hospice with their 'Penny Pinching Challenge.' The challenge will start from Friday 23rd September and run until Wednesday 2nd November. Your child should have brought home a box to collect as many pennies as they can. This is a great opportunity to raise funds for a very worthy local charity.

Attendance/Holiday information

Attendance to school this year is **compulsory**, and 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](#).

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.

Starting Reception in 2023 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 2023 are at 11.59pm on:

Secondary applications - 31st October 2022

Primary applications - 15th January 2023

Free school meals and pupil premium

Your child will get free school meals if they're in Reception class, Year 1 or Year 2. You will however still need to register with us if you are in receipt of any of the following benefits as your child's school can get extra funding, called pupil premium. Children in years 3, 4, 5 or 6 could also be entitled to free school meals.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

If you require further information, please contact our school office.





Dates for your diary for the Autumn term ...

Thursday 6 th October	Hello Autumn - Special lunch
Monday 10 th October	PTA AGM - 7pm on Zoom - further details to follow
Monday 10 th October	Deadline for Cauliflower Card orders
19 th - 20 th October	Whole School skipping workshop
17 th - 21 st October	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 21 st October	School closes at the end of the day for half term break.
Monday 31 st October	School re opens
Friday 18 th November	Early Number/ Mathematics workshop for parents
Tuesday 22 nd November Wednesday 23 rd November	Parents Evening - Further details to follow nearer the time
Wednesday 30 th November	Open Evening - New Reception intake 2023
Friday 16 th December	School closes for the end of Autumn term holiday
Tuesday 3 rd January	School closed for staff training day
Wednesday 4 th January	School closed for staff training day
Thursday 5 th January	School re opens for the Spring Term

PTA

With the festive season rapidly approaching we are participating in the 'Design a Christmas Card project', this is a fantastic way for your child to see their designs on printed Christmas cards, gift tags and mugs while at the same time raising funds for the school. Your child should have come home with a letter and pack containing their artwork or will do in the next few days. Orders and payment can be made online, details of this is on the letter/pack. Can you please ensure that all artwork where orders have been placed are returned to school by **9am on Monday 10th October** as we need to send the artwork off before it can be printed. **Orders cannot be printed without the artwork being returned to school.**

On Monday 10th October 2022 at 7pm we will be holding our AGM. This year we are holding it virtually on Zoom. This is a chance for you to see what and how the PTA run and for you to get involved. We always need new volunteers! If you would like to attend, please email us at stpaulsrawtenstallpta@gmail.com and we will send you the link. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you for your continued support.
Kath McArragher (PTA Chair)





St Paul's Awards.

	<u>Learner of the Week</u>	<u>Our Topic Superstar</u>	<u>Our school Value Champion</u>
Amazing Acorns	Amelia T	Harry W	Ivory
Awesome Ashes	Declan	Harper	Jemimah
Super Sycamores	Sienna	Freddie	Mylo
Outstanding Alders	Rowan	Sebastian	Isla
Enchanted Elms	Thomas	Eryn	Matilda T
Marvellous Maples	Freddie B	Ethan	Haniya
Dazzling Elders	Martha	James	Lucy
Wonderful Willows	Milo	Amy	Sebastian
Mighty Oaks	Oliver	Morgan	Lottie
Budding Blossoms	Learner of the week	Charlie	

A huge well done to our award winners this week.

Thank you to the parents who joined us today. It was lovely to have you back in school again. 😊

Reflective Friday





Action for happiness
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. This month Optimistic October helps us to focus our actions on what really matters.

Optimistic October 2022

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month	2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)	3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you	4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list	5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good	6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better	7 Look for the good in people around you today
8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding	9 Share an important goal with someone you trust	10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently	11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward	12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today	13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing	14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation
15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted	16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting	17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society	18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead	19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future	20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time	21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you
22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague	23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise	24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently	25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?	26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face	27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time	28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?
29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to	30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future	31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month				

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

Wishing you all a lovely weekend filled with fun and laughter.

Mrs Charlesworth

