



# St. Paul's Church of England Primary Newsletter

Friday 28th June 2024

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

## Headteacher news

What an incredible week we've had in school! I'm thrilled to share with you the exciting events and learning experiences that have taken place this week.

This week, we immersed ourselves in Enterprise Week, a fantastic opportunity for our children to develop essential life skills. It's been a joy to watch our students engage with concepts of earning, saving, and using money effectively. Each class took on unique challenges, from designing and creating products to marketing and selling them. The creativity on display was truly impressive, with children even filming their own adverts and creating content reels to promote their products.

We've also been exploring the broader implications of our choices. Our pupils have been learning about how food waste impacts both our wallets and the environment, emphasising the importance of responsible resource management. These lessons extend beyond the classroom, encouraging our children to be mindful consumers and global citizens.

For our Year 6 students, the week brought an exciting glimpse into their future possibilities. They participated in a career carousel, meeting professionals from various industries and gaining insights into different career paths. The enthusiasm and curiosity they showed were remarkable, with many expressing interest in fields such as filmmaking, law enforcement, and healthcare. It's wonderful to see our pupils already thinking about their future contributions to society. A huge thank you to all parents and staff who organised and gave their time generously to give the pupils a wonderful experience.

As we approach the end of the school year, transitions are on many minds. Our older pupils have attended high school transition days, and it's been heartwarming to hear their excitement about their next big adventure. While we'll miss them dearly, we're proud to see them ready to take this important step.

Looking ahead, we're eagerly anticipating our upcoming music week, culminating in our 'Through the Decades' Concert on **Friday, 12th July 2024**. Each class have been working diligently on their songs and dance moves, and we can't wait to showcase their talents. Just a friendly reminder, on the day of the concert, children should come dressed in song-themed clothes. If you haven't already, please ensure you've secured your tickets for this not-to-be-missed event!

**Here's a quick reminder of the concert schedule:**

**Junior 'Through the Decades Concerts' - Friday 12th July 10am and 2pm**

**Infant 'Through the Decades Concert' - Friday 12th July 1.15pm**

[Dates for your diary...](#)



- PTA Ice Lolly Fridays after school from the hall at the end of the school day
- Week 8th July - Music week through the decades
- Monday 15th July - end of year reports
- Tuesday 16th July - Year 6 end of year production
- Wednesday 17th July - Parents evening in the hall

- Thursday 18th July - PTA end of year disco
- Friday 19th July - School finishes for the summer at 1.35pm

## PTA



🍦🍷 Ice Lolly Fridays 🍷🍦 - We are fast approaching our final Ice Lolly Friday on 12th July! We will be in the hall after school, so come and get your end of term treat!

Our end of year Celebration Disco is fast approaching - Thursday 18th July 6pm - 8pm. We still very much need volunteers to make this event a success for our children, so if you are able to help please contact us via our Facebook page, or leave your name at the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Bonnie Smith

PTA Co-Chair

**THURSDAY 18TH JULY 2024**  
**6PM -8PM**

**ST. PAUL'S**  
**PTA**



# **NEON** **CELEBRATION** **DISCO**

**FOOD, GAMES, FACE PAINTING**  
**AND LOTS MORE.**

**TO VOLUNTEER PLEASE CONTACT**  
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## Celebration Disco Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear parents / carers,

The 2024 Celebration Disco is held at school on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024**. The doors open at **6.00pm** and all children need to be collected from school by **8pm** by a responsible adult.

Please note that only children that currently attend St. Paul's are allowed in the Disco. We realise this may cause inconvenience for some parents with younger children, however it is a rule for the safety of our children.

As this is a Celebration Disco, a special room has been set aside for Year 6 Children to enjoy their last school Disco at St. Pauls.

The theme for the disco has been chosen by the Year 6 children and it is:-

### **"NEON"**

All children are welcome to come in themed outfits or fancy dress, but this is optional.

The price is £2 per child. If you wish to stay with your child at the Disco then the cost per adult is £2.00. Adults who stay cannot use their mobile phones during the disco. This is a strict rule for safeguarding reasons. We will have to ask you to leave if this rule is ignored.

If you would like to volunteer to help on the night then entrance is free. Please leave your name at the school reception or contact the PTA through the facebook page. A list of volunteers will be made prior to the disco and volunteers should arrive at 5.45pm. We will not be accepting volunteers on the night.

There'll be a DJ in the Hall, games, crafts and refreshments including hot dogs, drinks, crisps and sweets to purchase.

Face painting and temporary tattoos are available on the night. Please let a member of the PTA know, prior to the disco, if there are any concerns about this for your child for example a previous allergic reaction. Please note the tattoos are easily removed with baby oil and face paints with soap and water.

Prices range from 20p to £1.00, and all stall holders are happy to help children who are not confident with money.

The children have a wonderful time and grow in confidence with each school Disco. The children enjoy the independence of buying items and working out if they have enough money left for something else at the end of the night, which is a valuable life skill!

There are no mobile phones or any electronic recording devices allowed at the disco (children or adults) and several St. Paul's class teachers are at the event for safeguarding reasons to protect our children.

Let's celebrate together. Any questions please ask via the PTA Facebook and twitter pages or via email.

St. Paul's Parent Teachers Association (PTA)

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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:

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.

This week we have been learning...



### Brilliant Berries

What another busy week.

This week, we have been continuing with the story Dogger. We made up our own summer fair game called Duck Catch. We then wrote some instructions telling others how to play it. In maths, we have been exploring number sense and geometry- space and time. The reception children continued with our learn to ride session.

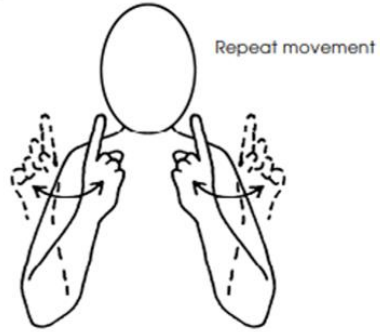
### Dance through the Decades

We have still been practicing our dance and song 'We're all in this Together'. Please bring any red t-shirts/ accessories before our concert next Friday.

### St Pauls to Paris

We are looking forward to our sponsored on Tuesday 9th July. This will take place within the school day, so please encourage your child to fill in their sponsorship form and wear suitable footwear on this day.

Miss Bliss







Amazing Acorns



Just when you think it cannot get busier then it does.

In English the children have finished writing their own story book about 'The Dinosaur that Pooped...'. In Maths we have been learning all about money with it being enterprise week. The children were invited

to a toy shop and had to buy things up to 10p. We have also had a music session, Learn to Ride and completed a scavenger hunt.

### **Dance through the Decades**

We have still been practicing our dance and song 'Eye of the Tiger'! Just a reminder that we have pulled inspiration from the class film 'Rocky' for our sweat pant outfits.

### **St Pauls to Paris**

We are looking forward to our sponsored mile run on Tuesday 9th July. This will take place within the school day, so please encourage your child to fill in their sponsorship form. These were put in your child's reading wallet.

Key Dates/Information

PE - Tuesdays

Forest School - Monday - 8th July

Road Safety - wb 8th July

Music through the decades concert - 12th July

Miss Cavaney.







## Awesome Ashes



This week we have had such a fun week in Ashes for Enterprise. We started by creating our own purses and talking about how we can keep our money safe. We all got given 5 20p coins to make £1 and had children discuss where we get our money from. Each day Miss Pounder gave us a new challenge to try to get us to spend our money but we were also told if we save out 5 coins there would be a bigger treat on Friday to spend our money on. Some of us wanted to spend our money throughout the week on mini treats but most managed to save our coins until our big treat cake and milkshake on Friday. The children learnt lots about having to save and not always spend on mini treats but others also learnt they could have 3 or 4 mini treats more than the one big treat at the end of the week.

**Dance through the Decades** We have still been practicing our dance and song 'We're all in this Together' ready for our performance next Friday. Please bring any red and white outfits into school by **Monday**.

**PE** Please could you ensure PE kits are returned **on Monday** for our final PE sessions.

**St Pauls to Paris** We are looking forward to our sponsored mile run on **Tuesday 9th July 2024**. This will take place within the school day, so please encourage your child to fill in their sponsorship form.





## Super Sycamores



Two more action packed weeks to look forward to!

In History we have learnt more about seaside holidays long ago and have been interested in comparing them to holidays now, we have been writing diary entries and postcards detailing life in the past.

### **Young Enterprise**

This week, the children learnt about money! We thought about how we make money, how we save our money and what we need to spend our money on. We used real coins to recognise and make small amounts, add small amounts and find change.

### **More to look forward to next week!**

**Forest School** - We have just one session left in our Forest this year, which will be on Friday 12th July. Forest School kits will be sent home on this day.

**Dance through the Decades** - We have still been practicing our dance this week! If your child has their 'groovy glasses', please bring them into school, so we can practice dancing and wearing them at the same time!! Anything sparkly can be worn on the day (Elton John 'I'm Still Standing') We will look forward to seeing you at our concert next Friday.

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## Outstanding Alders



Another busy week in Alders

### **Young enterprise**

This week the children have been learning about money and the cost of items. We have thought about where money comes from and how we can budget our money. The children were given a budget to spend for their end of year party, they had to think about how much the items cost and how many items they would need for the whole class. We really enjoyed the activity, but all said how hard it can be to stick to a budget.

### **Forest school**

On Monday we enjoyed our final forest school session in the rain. We really got stuck into the challenge of being the muddiest and we enjoyed using the mudslide and tyre swing. The children should have taken home all their forest school kits including their wellies, if your child has not brought home their wellies, please ask them to bring them home before the end of term.

### **Through the decades**

We have still been practicing our songs for the concert, next week (**Friday 12th July**). The children are welcome to come to school in their outfits. Tickets are available to purchase, if you haven't done so already.

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**PE days :**

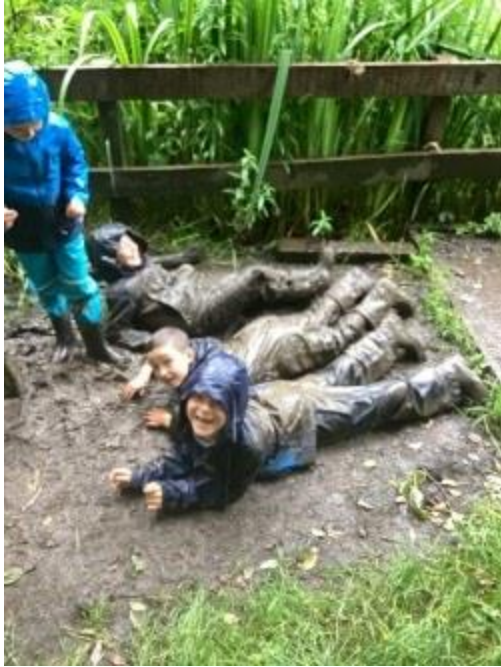
- Thursdays (outdoor)
- Fridays (indoor)

Please ensure that your child brings the correct PE uniform which consists of a plain white T-Shirt and plain navy blue shorts. A school hoody can be worn for PE lessons only.











Enchanted Elms



In English we have looked at a variety of persuasive adverts and looked at persuasive language. In maths we have been looking at decimal places which goes so well with money for enterprise week. Understanding tenth place value and how to adding and subtracting money. In art the children have been using observing skills and drawing using only a variety of blue colours.

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### **Through the Decades**

Next week is music week, with the concert **Through the Decades** on **Friday 12th July 2024**. On Friday the children will need to come dressed in bright colours for 70s if your children have any flared plants these will be great. (Lots of colour and glitter please) for both of the junior concerts. We have been working hard on learning the songs and dance moves and are excited for the concerts - please make sure you have your tickets. The Junior concerts are at **10am** and **2pm** (tickets are available on **ParentPay**)

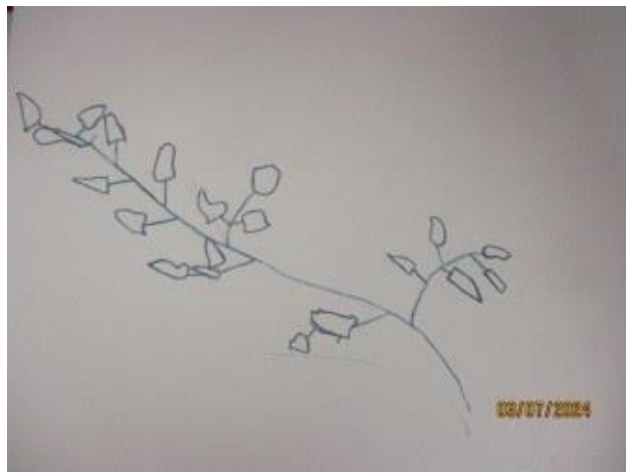
### **Collecting wellies**

Please can you ensure you collect your child's or children's wellies. We have finished our forest school sessions for the year. They are outside the classroom door.

Hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Cowgill







## Marvellous Maples



This week has been Enterprise week and Maples have loved learning about where money comes from, how to earn money as well as how to budget and save. We have been learning about how wasting food is wasting money and how this impacts the environment, how to take care of our money as well as taking care of the world around us. In ICT lessons we have completed a saving up planner to work out how to earn money to save up for the things we want as well as completing a quiz to help learn about bank statements. In class we have also been practicing what we have learnt by having a budget to decide if we are going to spend it on different things in class or save the money until the next day. The class have been engaged and have learnt lots this week.

In English, we have started our unit on Classic Poetry and are gathering our ideas ready to write our own version of From a Railway Carriage. In Maths, Year 4s have been adding and subtracting three amounts of money with exchanging, as well as linking this learning to problem solving. Year 3s have been working on their statistic skills by creating bar charts and pictograms and then answering problems and reasoning questions.

Next week is music week, with the concert Through the Decades on Friday 12th July . On Friday the children will need to come dressed as 00s popstars (lots of white and glitter please) for both of the junior concerts. We have been working hard on learning the songs and dance moves and are excited for the concerts - please make sure you have your tickets.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs De Boutemard

## Dazzling Elders



Elders have had a busy week.

More children have earned certificates from swimming, which is great. The last session for swimming is **Monday 15th July**.

In English, the children have been practising using the correct pronouns and when to use them. They have produced some fantastic diary entries as Matilda.

In maths, the year 4 children have been looking at equivalent fractions and identify them . They have really persevered with this, as it can be really tricky. The year 5's have been looking at reflections. They have really persevered with this.

In RE, the children have started their Judaism topic and have started thinking about rules; why we follow them, what rules we follow and where and who makes the rules.

In geography, the children have been looking at different climates and which countries have which climate. The children noticed some patterns as to where the different climates are in the world.

### **Young Enterprise**

This week, the children learnt about money and the cost of items! We thought about how we budget money, how we save our money and what we need to spend our money on. We have thought about the resources we use in class and the children were given a budget to use to buy resources for the junior unit. The children thought about how we could save money and how we need to be careful with resources as they cost so much.

### **Forest School**

We have now finished our forest sessions for this year.

### **Through the Decades**

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### **Edge hill**

The children who have taken part in the Edge Hill study have been given their watch this week and will need to wear it as much as possible until they hand it in on **Friday 12th July**.

The children taking part will have their last session on **Thursday 11th July**. They will need to wear their PE kits (plain shorts, white t-shirt) for the session.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Yates& Mrs Nolan

## Wonderful Willows



We have had a very exciting Enterprise Week here in Willows with our fidget spinner challenge.

We have been team building, designing, creating, analysing and filming our own adverts and reels. The children have done so well and really built their collaboration skills.

A reminder please to ensure your child has their Rock Star costume ready for our Decades Concert.

### **For our Year 6 parents**

Year 6 production Tickets are already selling fast for the Year 6 production of Robin and The Sherwood Hoodies. These are priced at £2.50 each and are available to purchase on ParentPay before **Monday 8th July**. After this date, any remaining tickets will go on general sale. Please be advised that entry is by ticket only for fire regulations purposes.

### **Costumes for production**

Thank you for the costumes that have already started to arrive in school for the upcoming production. please can all costumes be in school for **Wednesday 10th July** at the latest.

### **Leavers Service**

Parents of Year 6 are invited to attend the Leavers service on **Thursday 18th July at 9.30am** in St Paul's Church. This is an opportunity for our children to reflect on their time at St Paul's and for the school to say a goodbye to our wonderful Year 6. You may need to bring some tissues!

Kind Regards Mrs Cooper and Mrs Todd

Mrs Cooper and Mrs Todd











## Mighty Oaks



This week in school has been Enterprise week and the Year 6 children started the week by learning about a range of professions and what it would be like to work within different industries. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and asked so many interesting questions. There are definitely some budding film makers, police officers and NHS workers within our Year 6 children. It has also been lovely to hear the children talk about their next adventure - high school! Some very positive and excited children have returned from the transition days that have taken place over the last week.

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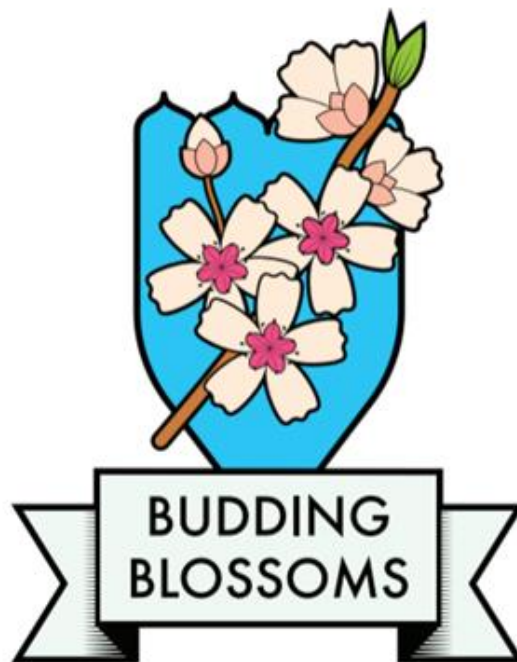
Our final Forest School session will be on Thursday 11th July. Please ensure that kits are in school on this day, especially waterproof coats and footwear.

## Through the Decades concert

Next Friday sees the Through the Decades concerts taking place in school. The Junior concerts are at 10am and 2pm (tickets are available on ParentPay) so the class are welcome to come in their own clothes on this day.

Mrs Lee

## Budding Blossoms



We have had a lovely week in Blossoms', in maths we have been working with money (they knew a lot). We have enjoyed playing games such as shops and buying the most exclusive green pencil in the world! We also visited the shop in Berries' and loved buying and selling ice cream!

In English, we have been using videos as prompts to create a whole range of writing. We have written stories, diary entries and character descriptions. The children have worked so hard, and I am so proud of how far their writing has come on this year! Another fabulous week, well done Blossoms! Only two weeks to go!

**St Pauls to Paris** We are looking forward to our sponsored mile run on Tuesday 9th July. This will take place within the school day, so please encourage your child to fill in their sponsorship form.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs Taylor**

*Let's celebrate - Weekly awards*



## St. Paul's Awards.

	<u>Learner of the week</u>	<u>Topic award learner of the week</u>	<u>Value winner</u>
Brilliant Berries	Blake		
Amazing Acorns	Eilidh	Theo	Rory
Awesome Ashes	Matilda	Isaac	Maria
Super Sycamores	Teddy	Aizah	Evelyn
Outstanding Alders	Ruben	Holly-Rose	Annabel
Enchanted Elms	Evie	Sofia	Isla
Marvellous Maples	Fraser	Teddy	Sonny
Dazzling Elders	Freddie Mc	Declan	James
Wonderful Willows	Zara	Zain, Charlotte & Daniel	Kelsey
Mighty Oaks	Joe B	Leah	Lennon
Budding Blossoms	Dean		



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## **Attendance/Holiday information**

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

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](http://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.

## Important Update – Changes to Education-related Penalty Notices

### Information for Parents

You may be aware that the **Department for Education** has recently 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.
- Any 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<sup>[1]</sup>. 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).
- 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 after school 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

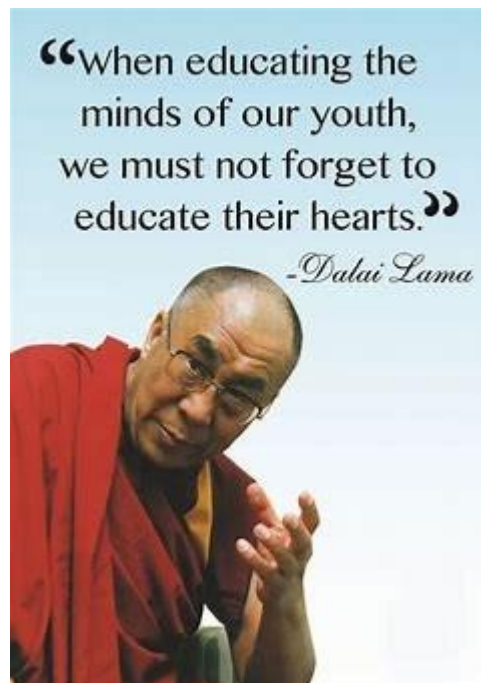
Mid Term Closure Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025 (inclusive)

**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

Reflective Friday





Hope you all have a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

*Kind regards*

*Mrs Charlesworth*

