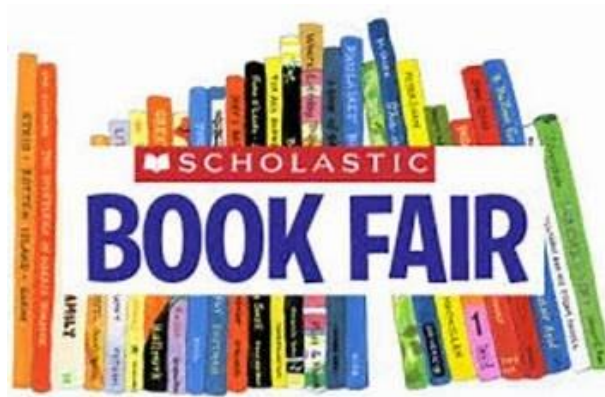


St. Paul's Church of England Primary Newsletter

Friday 6th October 2023

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

Scholastic Book Fair



A huge thank you for all your support during our Scholastic Book Fair last week. We have raised £166 in rewards which we can spend on books for our library. Our Reading Champions will be meeting next week to choose the new books. Without your support, this would not be possible.

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

Starting school in 2024...

**ST. PAUL'S CE PRIMARY, A PLACE
OF LEARNING AND WONDER.**

Is your child due to start school in
September 2024?
If so we would love to welcome you



Open Evening
**Wednesday 15th November
6pm**

Calder Road, Rawtenstall, Rossendale
BB4 8HW

#HelloYellow



On Tuesday 10th of October we are asking for all children to wear something yellow. It doesn't have to be a whole new outfit so please don't feel like you have to purchase anything. We are wearing yellow to help to raise the awareness of young people's mental health and throughout the day at school, your child will be participating in different activities to embed the importance of looking after our mental wellbeing. There will a ParentPay option for you to donate £1 and all proceeds will be going to the Young Mind charity.

St. Paul's Couch 2 5k



We run so many events for our children we thought it would be great to do something for our parents. Do you want to get fit in time for Christmas? Come and join us - Mrs Alvarez will be leading our very first couch to 5k for parents. Couch 2 5 K is a realistic program which over 10 weeks increases the amount of running time and builds up to running a 5k.

Mrs Alvarez started her running journey about 6 years ago through the couch to 5k program. Since then she runs on a regular basis, having run in various 5 and 10k races and even managed a half marathon. She loves the medals!

Mrs Alvarez has also taken over the leadership of the couch to 5k program for Rossendale Leisure Trust.

Running a 5k is an amazing achievement that everyone can reach with this program. So what are you waiting for... come and join us. Meet at the school office on Thursday 12th October at 3.45pm.

Harvest festival

Our Harvest Service will be at St Paul's Church on Tuesday 17th October, with Infants at 9.30am and Juniors at 10.30am.

Each year we collect for the fantastic RAFT foundation in Rossendale. Thank you for sharing what you can to help ensure others in Rossendale have the same.

'Every tin, packet and jar received will be welcomed and make a real difference to those in our local community who are in crisis and experiencing difficult times'.

Please bring donations to school on Monday 16th October. These will be taken to church after registration so they can be displayed in church, ready for the Service.

As always, we are grateful for any volunteers who can help our children walk safely down to church. Please speak to your child's class teacher

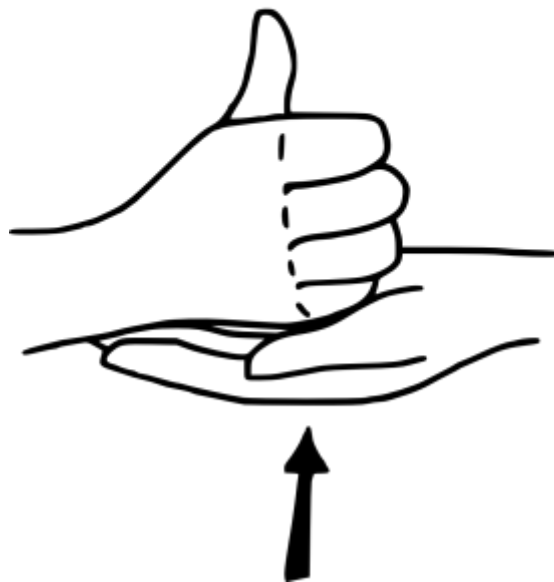
Year 6 Bikeability

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If your child hasn't got a bike but would like to borrow one, these can be hired (no cost to parents) from Go Velo for the duration of the session. Please let your child's class teacher or the office know if you require one.

Word of the week

help



Each week the children in the EYFS & KS1 have been learning a new word in Makaton. 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 'help.'

Dates for your diary...

- ***Tuesday 10th October - Hello Yellow day***
- ***Tuesday 17th October - Harvest service***
- ***Thursday 19th October – PTA Autumn Disco 6pm-8pm***
- ***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***

- **Bikeability – consent form deadline Friday 20th October**
- **Tuesday 8th November 2023 PTA AGM 3:20pm in school**
- **Friday 10th November - Individual and sibling photographs (am)**
- **Wednesday 15th November – Open Evening for EYFS 2024**
- **Tuesday 12th December - Infant Nativity 1.30pm and 6pm (Ticketed event)**
- **Tuesday 19th December – Junior Carol Service at St Paul’s Church 2pm**

PE timetable - Autumn 1

<u>St. Paul's PE.</u>					
	<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 coach	Outdoor PE		
Outstanding Alders		Indoor PE with sports coach		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 your child has outdoor PE they will need (weather dependant) sunscreen, 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 9/10/23

- **Monday - Alders**

- **Tuesday - Elms**
- **Wednesday - Elders**
- **Thursday - Willows**
- **Friday – Maples**

Week starting 16/10/2023

- **Monday -**
- **Tuesday - Acorns**
- **Wednesday - Ashes**
- **Thursday - Oaks**
- **Friday – Sycamores**

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 \(stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk\)](https://stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk/School-Holidays-23-24.pdf)

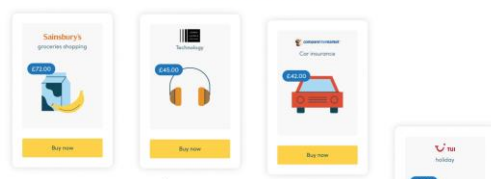
To enable us to safeguard our children, may we request that if your child is absent from school you, please telephone the school on 01706 215893 by 09:00am to inform us. If we have not received a call, a member of our office staff will call you to ensure that your child is at home and is safe.

Do you want to raise funds for school in a way that does not cost you anything?

Just letting you know that St Paul's CE Primary, Rawtenstall are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. You can even book your next holiday through them. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-pauls-ce-primary-rawtenstall/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1 Thank you so much!

Every time you shop online, brands give cashback as a thank you for shopping with them. We share that money with your cause.

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Let's celebrate weekly awards

St. Paul's Awards.			
	Learner of the week	Topic award learner of the week	Value winner
Amazing Aconites	Molly	Eilidh	Esme
Awesome Ashes	Will	Armaan	Ayana
Super Sycamores	Sophia	Lily	Harper
Outstanding Alders	Olivia K	Sarah	Olivia A
Enchanted Elms	Milo	Millie	Hugo
Marvellous Maples	Louie	Fraser	Jack
Dazzling Elders	Joel	Ethan	Declan
Wonderful Willows	Kelsey	Cooper	Charlie
Mighty Oaks	Charlotte	Rosie	Brooke & Isabelle
Brilliant Berries	Theo		
Budding Blossoms	Lucy		

PTA

Christmas cards - Just a reminder that if you are ordering Christmas cards and gifts they need to be ordered by parents online and then the artwork needs returning to school by **9am on Monday 9th October** at the latest. Thank you.

****Orders cannot be printed without the artwork, so it must be returned to school****

Disco - Our next Disco will be held in school on Thursday 19th February 2023. The doors open for children in Reception and Year 1 at 6.00pm, together with any older siblings of these children. All other children (Year 2 upwards) should arrive at 6.30pm. This allows the younger children time to settle in before the older children arrive. All children need to be collected from school by 8.00pm by a responsible adult.

Please refer to the letter emailed to parents this week.

To make this event a success we need lots of volunteers on the night and help beforehand too.....we will make sure you know how/what to do for anyone new thinking of helping. It's a great event and the kids have lots of fun. If you can help please message the PTA or leave your name and details at the school reception.

Many thanks for all your continued support!

Kath McArragher (PTA Chair)

Roll up, roll up...

If any of you are having a clear out and have any part rolls of wallpaper or backing paper that you no longer need we are happy to put it to good use in school.

We are very grateful for any donations to support the play of all children across school.

Lost property...

We also have lots of lost uniform in school that have no names on them for us to return them to their owners. Please can you ensure that every item of clothing both inner and outer wear is named so we can help to return them to you. We know how much uniform costs. Please help us to help you.

This week we have been learning...













Amazing Acorns



In Acorns this week we have been learning about the number two, how to write it and all the different ways you can represent it.

We have learning all about Autumn, we used our brilliant outdoor classroom for lots of different crafts activities and we collected autumn treasures on the field.

Friendly reminder, PE is every Wednesday.

Brilliant Berries

We have had another lovely week in Berries class. We have been continuing with the story The Three Little Pigs and this week we have been describing the Big Bad wolf. In phonics our sound of the week is 't'.

In science, we have been exploring everyday materials. We tested opaque materials to make curtains for the Little Pigs houses. We tested which materials float to make a boat to help the pigs escape from the wolf across the river. The Big Bad Wolf even came to our classroom to try and blow down the houses we made.

Awesome Ashes



This week in Ashes we have been learning all about the creation story and Harvest. We have been looking at the seven days of creation and made our own collages. We also talked about celebrating harvest and made our own harvest wreaths.

Super Sycamores



This week in Sycamores the children have really worked hard on addition and subtraction using the whole, part, part method. They have found this model very useful for missing number problems too.

We have started our Geography unit on the UK and found Rawtenstall and London on a map of the UK.

In English we have used our senses to explore fruit and written amazing adjectives! This will culminate in an Autumn poem at the end of the half term.

In Forest School today, we have been learning how to use a compass to locate North, South, East and West.

Well done everyone! Another super week in Sycamores class 😊

Outstanding Alders



In geography we have been learning about the UK, continents and oceans. We have enjoyed using the atlas to create a continents jigsaw and created our own continents map.

In science we have been exploring everyday materials and talking about their properties. We explored materials that are inside and outside and talked about why they are made for certain uses.

In English we wrote our own riddles and have really enjoyed sharing these with each other. Great work Alders. 😊

Enchanted Elms



Elms have been super scientist this week learning about different types of rocks. They tested different rocks for porosity, density and durability.

Just a reminder that Elms have Forest school next week on Tuesday 10th October 2023 - please ensure they have waterproofs and wellies.

Marvellous Maples



In Science we have completed our egg experiment from last week. We have discovered that Cola, apple juice and Oasis are all acidic and will have an impact on our teeth. We have also learnt about the digestive system, how food moves through the body and where the important nutrients are absorbed. The children had great fun when this was done practically using crackers as the food, water as saliva, apple juice as the stomach acid and tights as the intestine.

Dazzling Elders



Elders have worked very hard this week. In PE, they have been learning cricket skills and focusing on their bowling. In Maths, the Year four children have been learning about statistics and the Year five have been working on place value and number sequences involving decimals. The children have also been learning about local history and how to identify the age of buildings by the type of windows. In

English, the children have been identifying features of explanation texts and learning how to use causal conjunctions.

Elders: Monday Non -Uniform Dojo Reward - The Elders class have earned a dojo reward of Non-Uniform on Monday 9th October. Please ensure your child dresses appropriately for the weather.

Wonderful Willows



This week in Willows the children have been writing Viking Sagas! The children have worked so hard to include all the different elements that make up a Saga. We are very proud of them! The class have also been learning about the Lindisfarne Raids and translating Anglo - Saxon text which was very tricky!

Another super week Willows - Well done 😊

Mighty Oaks

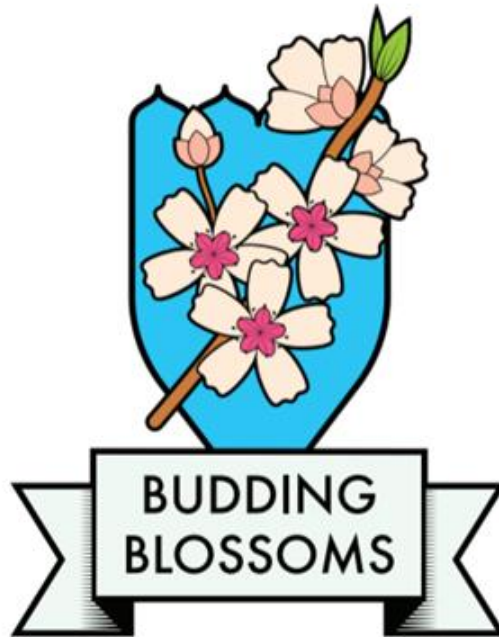


Oaks have been working hard this week in maths, working through different written and mental strategies to add and subtract numbers up to one million. In English, we have also been looking in more depth at the characters in our story of Letters from the Lighthouse.

Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times so they are able to access the lessons. No football kits please as this is not part of our school uniform. Thank you

Letters should have also made their way home about the Year 6 Bikeability course, that is taking place in the first week of November. If you wish for your child to take part, please can the form be returned as soon as possible (deadline is Friday 20th October). Children will not be allowed out on the road without parental consent. If your child hasn't got a bike but would like to borrow one, these can be hired (no cost to parents) from Go Velo for the duration of the session. Please let myself or the office know if you require one.

Budding Blossoms



We have had a wonderful week in Blossoms', we have moved onto subtraction in maths and have begun exchanging which we have found challenging but persevered. In English, we have been writing silly sentences. We used colour semantics and then improved our sentences by adding interesting adjectives. My favourite sentence was 'The old and colourful horse was eating cakes in the scary jungle', by Riley. Well done Blossoms 😊

Pupils as leaders in our school...

Pupil Voice



This week pupil voice have been talking about Children in Need. We have decided to have a non-uniform/PJs day - you can choose. £1 Donations can be made on ParentPay ready for Children in Need on the 17th November.

From Sam, Beth and Jessica on behalf of the Student Voice team.

Green Team



This week our Green Team had a meeting to discuss our new focus for this year. Take a look at our new Eco code. More information will be sent out each week telling you about our topics, why we have chosen them and what you can do at home to support our work.

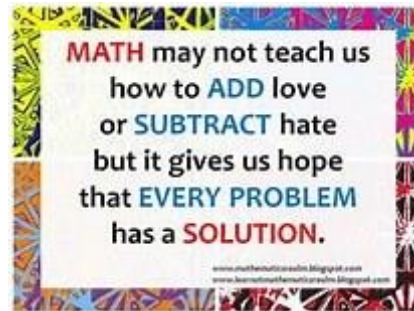
St Paul's Choir



Letters have gone out this week for KS2 children who have expressed an interest in joining the school choir and taking part in Let's Go Sing. During the school year, the amazing Let's Go Sing team will visit

school three times to teach the songs and action to the children. The concert will take place in the evening of the 15th March at King George's Hall. This is a fantastic event that the children enjoy taking part in. If you would like your child to join our choir and events then please return the forms as soon as possible.

Reflective Friday



Hoping you all have a wonderful weekend, filled with fun and laughter.

Mrs Charlesworth