



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 14th October 2022

Headteacher News

A huge thank you to all our parents who very kindly donated, attended and helped to walk our children to church for our Harvest Service. It was lovely to have so many of you join us for our first service in church together. I know that for some of you this will have been the first time you have been able to share one of our collective Worship celebrations. A huge thank you to all the children and staff who have worked so hard to create the wonderful services and St Paul's church wardens for making this all possible.

Your generosity and kindness will be shared across Rossendale through the RAFT project. If there are any families that may need this service, please do let us know. There are many ways we can help.

Skipping Workshops



Next Wednesday and Thursday, we are very excited to have 'skip-hop' working with us for two days delivering skipping workshops across school. Each class will have the opportunity to work with the skipping coach to learn a selection of moves, including individual moves, double-dutch, long rope, and partner skipping. Skipping is excellent for health, fun and fitness and we are hoping that this is going to be the start of something exciting on our school playground.

Please check your class newsletter for the day that your child will participate in this.

Flu Immunisation vaccinations

Flu Immunisation vaccinations will take place in school on WEDNESDAY 9th NOVEMBER, please follow this link to complete an online consent form;

<https://www.nhs.uk/FLU/information?Id=119367&Type=FLU>

The link will CLOSE at midnight on Tuesday 1st November.

This year, all pupils have the option to receive either the nasal flu (contains gelatine) or IM flu (injectable - does not contain gelatine). Please ensure you select 'GREEN - YES for the nasal' or 'PURPLE - YES for the injection' (which does not contain gelatine).

If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 358 3397





St Paul's Pupil Voice

The G.I.F.T (Growing in faith together) team have met to discuss our value for this half term. The value of Trust and how we have seen 'Trust' around school. The G.I.F.T team have been great in suggesting stories and songs for worship, have read prayers in worship and supported the planning and evaluating! You are all amazing! Thank you for all you do! 😊

Our new Sport Leaders are now in place and already have been working hard to improve access to activities on the playground. New resources have been purchased and organised, and the children are already thinking about ways to increase our activity levels in the future.

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

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.



Say "cheese!"

On **Friday 11th November**, the photographer will be here taking individual and school age sibling photographs.

Children who have PE on this day, please come into school in a full school uniform and bring your PE kit in a bag with all items of clothing named.





We are hosting a special 'Bonfire' lunch on FRIDAY 4th NOVEMBER. If your child already has a school dinner, there is no need to do anything as they will automatically receive the lunch. If however, your child is currently on packed lunches, but would like a special lunch, please email byt@constablelee.lancs.sch.uk with your child's name and class.

**** All orders must be in by the end of school on Friday 21st October****

The cost is £2.40 and is payable via ParentPay. If your child is in reception, year 1 or 2 or your child is entitled to Free School Meals then there is no charge.

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.

St Paul's Awards.

	<u>Learner of the Week</u>	<u>Our Topic Superstar</u>	<u>Our school Value Champion</u>
Amazing Acorns	Bradley	Jack	Benjamin
Awesome Ashes	Ayan	Oliver B	Chloe C
Super Sycamores	Santi	Rupert	Lola-Mae
Outstanding Alders	Archie	Sofia	Nuala
Enchanted Elms	Jessica R	Freya N	Ruby P
Marvellous Maples	Dylan	Jonah	Max
Dazzling Elders	Ellesia-May	Charlotte	Millie
Wonderful Willows	Leon	Jessica C	Jessica L
Mighty Oaks	Emily	Joe L	Ben
Budding Blossoms	Learner of the week	George H	





PTA

Thank you to everyone who has placed orders for Christmas cards and gifts. It's been amazing seeing all the children's designs. All the artwork has now been sent off to be printed and I can't wait to see all the lovely designs on the cards etc.

If you missed the deadline, orders can still be placed, but you will need to post the artwork directly to cauliflower cards and postage costs will unfortunately apply.

Don't forget that we are holding our **AGM on Monday 17th October at 7pm**. 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

Dates for your diary for the Autumn term ...

Monday 17 th October	PTA AGM - 7pm on Zoom
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 4 th November	Bonfire night Special Lunch
Wednesday 9 th November	Flu immunisations
Friday 11 th November	Individual and Sibling Photographs
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 / 6pm
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



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				

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Online Safety

All About... Messenger

Messenger is a free instant messaging app owned by Meta. It launched in 2011 to replace Facebook Chat as a separate, complimentary app that lets users add short videos, voice messages, and GIFs to instant messages.



Did you know Messenger...

- Is the 4th most popular app worldwide.
- Holds 2nd place as the most popular iOS app.
- Has over 1 billion messages sent on it every month.
- Sees more than 5 million gifts shared every single day.

Not for just anyone!

Users must have a Facebook account in order to use Messenger. Facebook requires users to be 13 or older to have an account.

Messenger Rooms

To compete with other video conferencing platforms such as Zoom and Google Meet during the COVID-19 pandemic, Meta released Messenger Rooms in 2020. This option lets users hold meetings and video calls with up to 50 people.

All users are invited to join rooms via a link - even if they don't have a Facebook account!

RISKS

Disappearing Messages

Users can send 'secret conversations' (messages timed to disappear) to others. They may be used to send bullying or sexual messages, and could cause distress or anxiety.

Message Requests

Users who are not friends on Facebook can still message other Messenger users through the 'Message Requests' folder. This could open up opportunities for scams or bullying.

Live Location

Users are able to share their live location with friends in Messenger via Google or Apple Maps, which could be used to pressure a young person into sharing where they are.

Inappropriate Behaviour

Users may be encouraged by others to engage in uncharacteristic or inappropriate behaviour via video or text chat. This could result in losing control of intimate images, messages or videos.

TOP TIPS

Use Safety Settings

Encourage your young person to use security options, such as two-factor authentication and the ability to choose who can message them.

Turn off Message Requests

Ensure only Facebook friends can keep in contact by switching off the message requests section, which is 'on' by default.

Don't receive requests

Keep Personal Details Private

Explain why it's important not to share personal details like addresses and phone numbers with others over Messenger.

Talk to Your Young Person

Engage in discussion with those in your care about their online life, and remind them that you are always there to support them.

Online Safety Shareable by **INEQE** SAFE GUARDING GROUP ineqe.com

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

Mrs Charlesworth

