

Start times, Breaktimes and Lunchtimes

Elders will begin school at 8.50am. The children should enter school via the classroom door.

The children can bring a piece of fruit for the morning breaktime.

Please remember to update the office if your child changes from dinners to packed lunches or vice versa.

Please remember no nuts or sesame seeds.

The children should be collected at 3.10pm from the classroom door.

If you wish to allow your child (in year 5) to walk home alone please email the school office with your written consent.

All phones will need to be handed in to the school office each day.

'Novel Around A Theme'

We try to base as much of our English Work as possible around a half termly novel. Our novel this half term is 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis It would be most helpful if the children could have their own copy of the book for the half term in order to access it at home and at school. All local libraries will happily order in books for members at no charge.

We are really looking forward to teaching Elders this year and working in partnership with you all.

Please remember to visit our class website for news and photos.

www.stpaulsrawtenstall.co.uk

Mrs Nolan and Mrs Cooper.

Welcome to Elders Class



Information for Parents
2025–2026

A warm welcome to Elders class!

Welcome back to you all. We are so glad to see you all again and hope you had a relaxing summer. Please find enclosed information that will guide you and your child through the academic year. Wishing your child an enjoyable year in Elders Class.

Teaching staff

Elders Class is taught by Mrs Cooper and Mrs Nolan. Mrs Cooper teaches on Monday and Mrs Nolan teaches on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Support staff: Mrs Cornfoot Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Morris on Wednesdays.

Personal belongings

Your child is responsible for looking after their own belongings. Please make it easier for them by naming all items of clothing, including coats, hats and scarves.

Your child may bring in a small pencil case with their own coloured pencils. This should be kept at school in their tray. This must be able to fit in your child's tray so no oversized pencil cases please. Your child will need a **spill proof** water bottle that will be refilled by staff throughout the day. If your child has a packed lunch they may bring a small bag to carry their lunchbox in. Children can bring a piece of fruit for the morning breaktime.

Please remember no nuts or sesame seeds.

PE kit and Forest School

Our P.E days are Monday and Friday. PE kit should be brought in on their PE day to get changed into at school. This should be navy blue jogging bottoms, white t shirt, blue hooded St Paul's logo top and suitable trainers.

Forest School will be every other Wednesday. There will be no sessions in the first week. Forest School starts on Wednesday 10th September 2025. Forest School kits should be brought in on Forest School days. Your child will need:
wellies, long trousers, long sleeved top, hoodie or jacket and a set of waterproofs

Swimming for Elders will commence in the Summer term.

Medical information

Please ensure that if your child needs any medication within school such as inhalers, that they are in date and the relevant medical form has been completed at the office. All medication should be clearly named and handed to the school office as soon as possible. Please note, it is the parent's responsibility to ensure medication is in date.

Reading

There is an expectation that children in Years 4 and 5 should be reading for a minimum of 15- 20 minutes each night.

Reading books and diaries should be brought to school EVERYDAY. Reading diaries will be checked by staff every Friday and must have been signed 3 x by parents in order for children to access Golden Time.

For children on the Reading Scheme books will be changed daily.

Guided Reading will take place daily in class.

Newsletters

In order to protect our planet, all contact with home will be posted on our school website or sent through Parent Pay. Please let the office know if you are unable to access the internet and require a paper copy.

Homework

For this term homework will all be undertaken online. This will be a combination of TT Rockstars, Spelling Shed and Reading. For our Year 6 children SATS based homework will be sent out from the Spring Term onwards.

Please ask if you need paper copies. Spelling Shed will be set on a Wednesday and spellings tested the following Wednesday. TT Rockstars will be set and reviewed on Fridays.