



WEEKLY NEWS



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Mrs Lindley

Mrs Lindley leaves us today to take up a post of Nursery Nurse at Lawefield Lane Primary School. During her time at St Paul's, she has positively impacted on the lives of many children and parents. She has been such a positive, enthusiastic, happy and dedicated member of our Early Years team and I'm sure you would like to join me in wishing her continued success and happiness in the future. Thank you for everything you have done Mrs Lindley – you will be sadly missed!

Year 1 Parents

All children have now had 4 weeks to settle into their new class and learn the routines. We are now asking for **all** Year 1 parents to leave their child at the class door and not come into school to help with the morning routine. If you need to pass any information to the class teacher, please speak to the adult at the door who will pass this on to them.

Safeguarding

Even though the age rating for Instagram is 13, many children in school are already using an account on the app. In July, Instagram made a couple of significant updates to the app, specifically to prevent bullying, which can only be seen as positive changes.

As with all social media, artificial intelligence is used to detect potentially harmful content. A new feature has been rolled out which gives anybody posting a message, which may offend, a moment to reflect, for example if somebody posts "that photo makes you look so ugly" they will get a warning, 'Are you sure you want to post this?'

It may seem quite minor, but we think this is a positive move forward, after all how many times do we repeat the message, 'Think before you post'? and 'If you don't have anything nice to say then don't say anything at all!'

Hopefully, this, and other changes, will stop some of the upset and anxiety caused on-line which should, in turn, make some lives happier– plus make our jobs a little easier in school!

School Improvement

On Wednesday, our School Improvement Advisor visited school. It was the first time she had visited in a year due to her moving way from the Local Authority. She was amazed at the progress that we have made in a year and commented in particular on the learning taking place, our fabulous learning environments and the high expectations we have in school. We are thrilled with her positive comments and it shows that all our hard work is paying off. She will continue to work with us for the rest of the year in ensuring we continue to move school forward.

Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Event
08.10.19	Harvest Festival at Church - 2:00
10.10.19	World Mental Health Day
14 th & 15 th October	Book Fair in School Hall - 2:45
17.10.19	Individual & Family Photographs
25.10.19	INSET DAY
27.11.19	Parents Evening
07.12.19	Hospice Concert – Church
09.12.19	Flu Jabs
12.12.19	Nativity Concert at Church – 2:00

After School Clubs

Sports Hall Athletics Club – Years 5 and 6 - 3:15pm to 4:15pm
October 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th,
November 7th

Tag Rugby Club - Years 3 and 4 -
3:15pm to 4:15pm
October 1st, 8th -

Tag Rugby Club – Years 5 and 6 -
3:30pm to 4:30pm
September 30th, October 2nd, 7th, 9th

Singing Club – Every Tuesday –
3:15pm to 4:15pm

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School Dinners

The cost of a school meal for pupils in Year 3 - Year 6 is £2.15 per day. This is £10.75 per full week.

The school meals service is no different to any other business and meals have to be paid for. Parents/carers should be able to relate to the situation that they cannot take their child to a restaurant e.g. McDonald's and expect a meal without paying; the same applies at school.

Meals MUST be paid in advance online or by sending in cash or cheque (made payable to WMDC) in a marked envelope. The option of school meals will be withdrawn from your child and you will have to provide a packed lunch if you are unable to pay for school dinners. It is very time consuming for the office staff to continually chase for dinner money.

The Free School Meal (FSM) system is available for parents who are in receipt of certain benefits. If a parent thinks they may qualify for FSM entitlement, they should contact the school office for further details or contact Free School Meals in Wakefield.

Rugby World Cup Day Lunch

Next Thursday, ISS are hosting Rugby World Cup Lunch. If your child normally has sandwiches and would like to join in, please send £2.15 (KS2 children) in an envelope marked with their name and class to the school office. Children in Reception, Year 1 or 2 can also join in, please return the reply slip or send us a note.

Harvest Festival

Parents and carers are welcome to join us for a short service to celebrate Harvest Festival on Tuesday 8th October at 2.00pm in the church. Please note, if the service finishes early, the children will be taken back to class where parents can collect them and take them home.

There will be a collection at the church and all monetary donations will go to WWF, the School Council's chosen charity.

Once again, we are gathering produce for St Catherine's Church (food bank). Items requested are tins and dried food stuff, and we ask that these have long 'use by' dates.

** Please do not send fresh produce as it is often 'past its best' by the time it is distributed.*

Car Parking

Once again, I would like to express my concern about the possibility of an accident outside school at the beginning and the end of the school day. It is extremely busy and congested, with cars parking on St Paul's Drive instead of using the parent car park at the bottom of the hill.

We still receive regular complaints from residents about vehicles blocking drive ways. If you do have to use St Paul's Drive, can I suggest that you drive up the hill and continue round onto Child's Road and out onto Batley Road via Pacaholme Road. This avoids blocking the road with two way traffic causing tail backs and disruption.

*** Please DO NOT use the staff car park entrance to turn your car around, or to drop or pick up children.**

CELEBRATION PAGE

This Week's SHINE AWARD Winners

Class	Child 1	Child 2
Nursery	Rory	Ben
Class R	Alfie	Efan
Class R:1	Amelia	Muhammed
Class 1:2	Isla	Edie
Class 2	Jorja	Chloe
Class 3	Skyla	Euan
Class 4	Jayden	Willow
Class 5	Alex P	Madison
Class 6	Billy	Phoebe D-S



Year Groups	1st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Year 2	Jacob	Grace	Adriana
Year 3	Ryan	Harrison	Daniel
Year 4	Evie	Isaac	Keira
Year 5	Rhys M	Alex P	Daniel
Year 6	Jasper	Edvinas	Archie

TWEETS OF THE WEEK

Nursery

Look at how much fun we are having outdoors in Nursery! We play outside every day even in wet weather so please send a full change of uniform including socks. Thank you! [#StPaulsCurriculum](#) [#StPaulsSHINE](#)



Class R

Reception have been busy applying their Read, Write, Inc knowledge in the sand! [#StPaulsCurriculum](#)



Class R:1

Class R1 finding out about the Islam faith. Muhammed told us about being a Muslim. He told us that the Mosque and the Church are special friends. [#StPaulsCurriculum](#) [#StPaulsSHINE](#)



Class 1:2

Class 1:2 drew around each other and then worked as a team to name and label the parts of their bodies. [#StPaulsCurriculum](#)



Class 2

Class 2 reading in their lovely classroom environment [#StPaulsCurriculum](#)



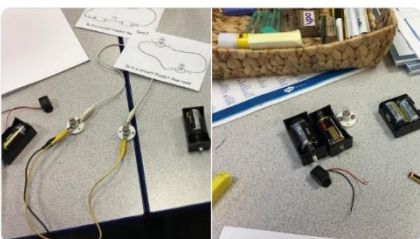
Class 3

Class 3 have learnt a lot about what Christians believe about God and the world from the creation story. [#StPaulsCurriculum](#) [#StPaulsSHINE](#)



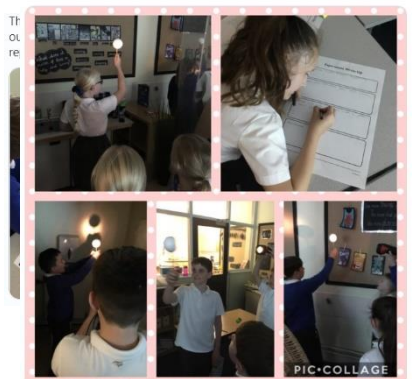
Class 4

Class 4 enjoyed exploring electricity this afternoon [#StPaulsCurriculum](#) [#StPaulsSHINE](#)



Class 5

This afternoon Class 5 created an experiment that helped them to understand more about why the moon seems to change shape during each month [#StPaulsCurriculum](#)



Class 6

Class 6 artwork to support learning about Brazil. The colourful images are inspired by Brazilian artist Romero Britto. [#StPaulsCurriculum](#)



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Update

CLASS	THIS WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
Nursery	94.62	97.37
Class R	90.00	93.21
Class R:1	95.86	97.14
Class 1:2	97.66	98.80
Class 2	97.33	97.87
Class 3	98.68	98.90
Class 4	93.77	97.30
Class 5	98.92	98.42
Class 6	97.43	97.62

Congratulations to Class 5 for achieving 98.92%, closely followed by Class 3 with 98.68%.

Attendance Indicators

98% + WELL ABOVE THE SCHOOL TARGET – OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE

96% + AT OR ABOVE SCHOOL TARGET

BELOW 94% - CAUSING CONCERN AND LESS CHANCE OF PROGRESS

90% & BELOW – PERSISTENT ABSENCE – SERIOUS ATTENDANCE CONCERN

WHOLE SCHOOL TARGET – 96.8%

Last Week –
96.54%

Year to Date –
97.67%

Punctuality

18 children arrived late for school this week. They missed a total of 3 hours and 18 minutes of learning time.