



WEEKLY NEWS



Issue: 18

Date: 25/01/19

Safeguarding

A Parent Hub message was sent out this week regarding the monitoring of online activity. Those of you who already monitor this will probably be fed up with how many times I mention this; however it is clear that a number of parents do not monitor their child's activity online. We have had reports of children talking to other people who they do not know. There has also been an increasing amount of 'online bullying' that we are having to sort out despite it not occurring during school time. We are in touch with parents/carers where we have some serious concerns. Please help us to keep your child/children safe!

Linked with the above, we have noticed a number of children who have been playing inappropriate games in the playground and saying inappropriate things to other children that they have heard whilst playing games that are clearly for older children. We cannot stop your child from playing games aimed at older children and even sometimes adults; however we are stopping children from replicating these games in the playground.

As always, if you feel you need to talk to someone about safeguarding or have any concerns regarding a child then please contact school and ask to speak to Mrs McClean, Mrs Wood, Mrs Somerville or Mr Swift.

Wakefield Express

If you buy the Wakefield Express then you may have noticed that St Paul's has been featured in the 'Top Marks' section. We were asked to be in the feature due to our impressive Key Stage 2 results last year. Well done to the children, staff and families!

Pupil Leadership

We are beginning to introduce a range of different pupil leadership roles in school, the first of which being our Playground Ambassadors. Year 5 children were invited to complete an application form and 10 children have been chosen to take on this role. They are being externally trained by Barnardo's on Monday afternoon next week. It's fair to say the children are very excited! The ambassadors will be a 'listening ear' in the playground and help children who are feeling upset for whatever reason. They will have a dedicated area in the playground, which they are going to help design, and work alongside Miss Simpson and myself to ensure pupils have a happy and safe time in the playground. There will be more pupil leadership roles on offer in the near future.

Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Event
07/02/19	6W Class Assembly
13/02/19	3HM Class Assembly
13/02/19	Parents' Evening
14/02/19	DT Themed Day
06/03/19	PTA Event – Books Butties & Brew
07/03/19	World Book Day
21/03/19	1:2CS Class Assembly
25/03/19	Class Photos
27/03/19- 29/03/19	Boggle Hole Residential – Year 4
28/03/19	1:2M Class Assembly
03/04/19	Easter Service 2pm Church

After School Clubs

KS1 Singing Tuesdays 15:15 – 16:15

Netball 30th Jan

Hockey Club 28th Jan, 4th, 11th Feb

Boccia Club 31st January

Dodgeball Club 29th January, 6th, 13th, 27th Feb

**CHECK OUT
ATTENDANCE AND
PUNCTUALITY INFO
ON PAGE 3**

Parent Hub

As you are aware we are now using the Parent Hub app to share information with you. We have 129 parents who have downloaded the app so far, less than 50%. If you have not yet downloaded the app it is available free on iPhone and Android smartphones and tablets. If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing the app, or would like to give feedback on the app, please contact a member of the office staff.

Please remember that the Parent Hub app FREE and it will help keep you up to date with what's going on at school.

What you need to do:

1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Add a School" and enter the school handle @StPaulsWF2



After February half term we will be communicating entirely through the Parent Hub app.

Parent / Teacher Consultations

Parent, Teacher Consultations will be held on Wednesday 13th February 14:30 – 21:00. It is expected that every child is represented at these meetings so that we are able to discuss how your child has progressed with their targets and allow you the opportunity to voice any concerns you may have. We have used the online booking system again which went live on Monday. This allows you to choose your own appointment time with teachers.

* In order for the system to work to its full advantage, **it is imperative that we have your correct mobile telephone number.** If you already receive texts from us there is no need to do anything. If you do not receive texts from us, please contact the school office to provide your mobile telephone number.

Junior Parkrun

The junior parkrun results are in for this week. St Paul's children are currently in 17th place overall as there are 9 runs registered by children using our school nickname. There are 36 schools registered to take part in the parkrun competition.

Please consider registering and taking part in one or two of the junior parkruns to help improve our score – we would love to make the top 10. The runs take place at Thornes Park and Pontefract racecourse every Sunday morning and are 2km. Children can run or walk with or without an adult beside them.



We will be celebrating World Book Day Thursday 7th March. Children are free to come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book of their choice. The children will be in for a treat this year – I can't say more than that but what I will say is that the staff will be nervously waiting to see which of them have been chosen for the performance!

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Update

CLASS	LAST WEEK OF TERM	YEAR TO DATE
NURSERY	99.29	96.39
RH	97.27	96.62
R:1W	95.00	96.22
1:2M	94.83	97.85
1:2CS	97.86	97.19
3HM	99.44	96.40
4I	98.65	96.77
5S	97.78	97.18
6W	93.24	96.08

CONGRATULATIONS TO 3HM FOR THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK WITH 99.44%.

ALSO A HUGE WELL DONE TO NURSERY – YOUR BEST ATTENDANCE OF THE YEAR SO FAR!

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%

Last Week –
96.91%

Year to Date –
96.74%

Punctuality

36 children arrived late for school last week of term. They missed a total of **11 hours and 28 minutes** of learning time!