



WEEKLY NEWS



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Safeguarding

This is a reminder about the game 'Fortnite'. We ask that parents are mindful that the game has been developed for children over 13 years of age and does expose its users to content that shows weapons and violence. Should your child be using the game with your consent, we would like to remind you that the game has an online chat facility which can be turned off for further protection and safety. It is worth being mindful that children can easily come into contact with users they don't know whilst engaging in the game.

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.

Parent Evaluations

I would like to thank those of you that took the time to respond to the evaluation form that I sent out last week. It was lovely to see so many common strengths identified by parents with children in different areas of school. I will be writing out next week to explain how I am going to address some of the areas for development. A number of these were areas that I had already identified and steps have already been taken to begin to address these.

World Mental Health Day

Please remember that this Wednesday (10th October) is World Mental Health Day. Children can wear non-uniform. All we ask is that one item is yellow, it can be anything from a t-shirt, a pair of socks, or even just a hair band. We would like to ask children to bring a small donation of £1.00 to help raise money for the cause.

Twitter

Now that the vast majority of consent forms have been returned to school, teachers will be using Twitter more frequently to let you know about the learning of your children. If you haven't already, please follow us @StPaulsWF2.

Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Event
10/10/18	2pm Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church
10/10/18	Non Uniform Day WEAR YELLOW
15/10/18	Book Fair
16/10/18	Book Fair
16/10/18	PTA Discos
18/10/18	Individual & Family Photographs
23/10/18	Inset Day
24/10/18	Parents Evening
25/10/18	Art Themed Day details to follow

After School Clubs

Singing Tuesdays
15:15 – 16:15

Tag Rugby 9th & 10th October

Athletics 8th, 15th & 22nd October, 12th & 19th November

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Parent Teacher Consultations

On Monday we will be opening the online booking system for the Parent Teacher Consultation appointments. This will be done through our texting service. If you have not provided us with your mobile telephone number, have recently changed your mobile telephone number and not informed us or do not have a mobile telephone, please contact the office who can book an appointment for you. Because some appointments are later on in the evening, there is no need for children to attend; however they are more than welcome to come along with you if you wish.

For the appointments that are between 2:30 and 3:10, you will need to access your child's classroom from the outside (where the children come in on a morning). After this we are asking all parents/carers to enter through the main entrance.

If your child has a 'One Page Profile' or a 'Supporting Me to Learn Plan', the class teacher will contact you (or may already have contacted you) to arrange a time on a different day to discuss your child's progress and talk about their targets. Other than these exceptions, it is imperative that somebody comes to represent each child. If you are unable to make the actual day, then please contact your child's class teacher who will arrange a mutually convenient time with you.

Fancy Dress Donations

As part of our plans to transform playtime and lunchtimes we are going to be introducing Fancy Dress for the children to play with. If you have any fancy dress costumes and accessories to spare and are happy to pass them on, we'll gladly take them as donations. Dressing up helps children develop their imagination and become part of a fantastical world so giving easier access to fancy dress will hopefully encourage this and make playtimes more fun!

Harvest Festival

Parents and carers are welcome to join us for a short service to celebrate Harvest Festival on Wednesday at 2:00pm in St Paul's church. Please note if the service finishes early the children will be taken back to class for collection as normal.

There will be a collection at the church and all monetary donations will go to St Catherine's Church Centre in Wakefield. We will also be gathering produce for the food bank. Items requested are tins and dried food stuff. Please ensure 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

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The coffee morning was a huge success. Thank you to the parents/staff who donated/baked cakes for the event. Parents enjoyed a drink, a cake and a chat in the dining hall. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to this wonderful charity.

We raised £273.88 for Macmillan Cancer Support!

NO Nuts in School

We would just like to remind all families that we are a nut free school. Please do not send your child to school with snacks that may contain nuts. Several of our children are extremely allergic, not just from the taste of a nut but also from the smell. Nuts can be very dangerous for these children. We appreciate your support.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance Update

CLASS	LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
NURSERY	91.27	96.38
RH	96.82	96.29
R:1W	96.90	98.09
1:2M	95.99	96.49
1:2CS	100.00	98.91
3HM	96.86	95.79
4I	98.92	98.51
5S	99.43	96.92
6W	98.11	97.44

WELL DONE TO 1:2CS FOR THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK WITH 100%.

HOPEFULLY THIS IS JUST A 'SLIGHT BLIP' FOR NURSERY – WE LOOK FORWARD TO ATTENDANCE SIMILAR TO THE PREVIOUS FEW WEEKS!

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%

Actual – 97.64 %

Punctuality

17 children arrived late for school last week. They missed a total of 1 hour and 29 minutes of learning time!