

# SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School



*We live and learn in the light of Christ!*

Weekly Newsletter to Parents  
Friday 22nd September 2017

Week 04

This week we pray for these special people!

Year 3



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## TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2017	Spring 2018	Summer 2018
<b>New Term Begins</b>	Monday 4th Sept	Monday 8th January	Monday 16th April
<b>1st Half-Term Ends</b>	Friday 20th October	Friday 16th February	Friday 25th May
<b>2nd Half-Term Begins</b>	Monday 30th October	Monday 26th February	Monday 4th June
<b>Term Ends</b>	Friday 22nd Dec	Thurs 29th March	Tuesday 24th July

## SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(not yet including standing orders)

Week 04

Reception	£1.00
Year 1	£1.00
Year 2	£1.00
Year 3	£2.00
Year 4	£1.00
Year 5	£15.00
Year 6	£1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£22.00</b>

School Fund can be paid weekly, monthly or termly. The suggested amount is **£1.00** per week. Thank you to all those parents who pay regularly in cash or by standing order. Thank you all for your support.

## School Mobile Phone

Please use for urgent contact out of office hours (3.30 pm - 8.00 am):



**07885 235 496**

## Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Congratulations to Year 2 for their beautiful Class Mass on Thursday morning, I was very impressed with the way the children read so confidently and sang so well throughout. Well done Miss Ghanbari and Mrs Smith for their hard work preparing the children.

Thank you to everyone who supported our MacMillan Coffee Morning today, your donations and presence at the event this morning is greatly appreciated. Thank you for also sending money in with your children to buy a cake, we raised a fantastic £217.00 so far. Cakes will be for sale to children on Monday too.

Thank you to everyone who attended the SPFA Meeting on Tuesday evening, I hear it was a great success with lots of people supporting. The ideas were flowing thick and fast so I'm looking forward to a fun year of fundraising and social events. Top stuff!

I have put lots of dates for this year on the website and 'School App' (Please download it to your smart phone or tablet if you haven't already) but people have been asking when the dates of the Sacrament Masses are so just to clarify:

- Year 3 First Holy Communion Mass - Sunday 13th May @ 9.30 am
- Year 6 Confirmation Mass - Saturday 30th June @ 5.00 pm
- There is no Sacrament of Reconciliation this academic year as I am moving the celebration back into Year 3 and the current Year 3 class made their First Confession last year.

Next week, you'll see me out on the drive before and after school looking for parents to sign a 'Fair Funding Petition', in conjunction with other parents of Erdington Schools, to take to parliament to help secure the best possible future for our children through the quality of education we can provide. Don't walk away if I approach you...

God Bless.



Neil Porter –  
Head Teacher

## NEWS

**We wish to keep you informed about school issues so please read the following information carefully.**

- **Home School Agreements**—Please ensure you sign and return these asap so that I can update my records. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **Year 5 & 6 Football Team**—Congratulations to our school football team who made a winning start to their ESPSFA league campaign with two convincing wins against Gunter Primary (6-0) & Maryvale Catholic Primary (9-1). Well done to Luke Drust, Aidan Subhan, Jaiy Leydon, Archie Moore, Liam Shanahan, Joseph Bailey, James Hughes and Kamarni Geroni. Thanks to all the parents who came to support and to Mr Leydon & Mr Moore for their coaching and transport. I couldn't do it without your support.
- **New School Gates**—Our new school gates are now operational. They have been installed to increase the level of security and safeguarding for our school and children. As we share the drive with the Church and Parish, the gates will only be locked during school hours which are Monday to Friday - 7.00 am to 6.00 pm. During these times anyone wishing to enter the school site will have to press the buzzer to alert the school office and then they will open the gates as required. Can I remind parents that it is only those parents with disability blue badges who can come down the drive to drop off and pick up their child, nobody else should be driving down. The pedestrian gate will be unlocked (but still closed, give it a pull or a push to open it) during the drop off and collection times so that parents can have free access in and out without the need to press the buzzer. I'm sure we will experience our fair share of teething troubles for the first few weeks but I know we'll all get used to them very quickly. Thank you.
- **SPFA Welcome Disco**—Everyone is invited to the first SPFA fundraising event of the year. The welcome disco will be Friday 13th October in the Parish Hall. This is a ticket only event. Tickets will be available on the school drive via Kristina or Kelly at the end of this week.
  - ⇒ 6.00 - 7.00 pm Reception children and families only.
  - ⇒ 7.00 - late... Rest of School children and families.
- **Affordable School Uniform**—School uniform can be ordered by contacting ASU Linda & Tony: Telephone - 07392370662 or asu2012@hotmail.co.uk
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons next drop in session between 9.30 to 10.00 am will be Friday 13th October. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- [senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk](mailto:senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk), to book a session.
- **Parent Workshops**—We have finalised the dates and times for our parent workshops where you have the opportunity to come into school to work with your child. Please make every effort to attend and support your child:
  - \* Reception - Thursday 9th November @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 3 - Tuesday 14th November @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 1 - Thursday 16th November @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 2 - Thursday 23rd November @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 5 - Thursday 30th November @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 4 - Tuesday 5th December @ 9.00 am
  - \* Year 6 - Wednesday 13th December @ 9.00 am
- **SPFA Advertising Page**—See Page 5 of this newsletter for more details!

## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Y4 Class Mass for Key Stage 2  
Thursday 5th October @ 9.15 am

Reception Class Welcome Mass  
Sunday 8th October @ 9.30 am

Y3 Class Mass for Harvest Festival  
Thursday 12th October @ 9.15 am

SPFA Welcome Disco  
Friday 13th October @ 6 pm - late...

Open Afternoon (Prospective Parents)  
Tuesday 17th October @ 1.15 pm

Parents Evening Dates:  
Wednesday 18th October @ 4 - 6.30  
Thursday 19th October @ 3.30 - 6 pm

Break Up for Autumn Half-Term  
Friday 20th October @ 2.00 pm

Back to School - Autumn Term 2 Starts  
Monday 30th October @ 8.50 am

Whole School Mass - All Saints (Y6)  
Wednesday 1st November @ 9.15 am

School Photographer in School  
Tuesday 7th November (Winter Uniform)

Y5 Class Mass for Key Stage 2  
Thursday 9th November @ 9.15 am

## TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 4th September 2017
- Monday 8th January 2018
- Monday 16th April 2018
- Plus 2 more to be arranged

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

**Monday** (3.15 - 4.15 pm)  
- Y5/6 Football Club  
- Chess Club (12.30 - 12.55 pm)  
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**Tuesday** (3.15 - 4.15 pm)  
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**Wednesday** (3.15 - 4.15 pm)  
- Irish Dancing (until 4.30 pm)  
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**Thursday** (3.15 - 4.15 pm)  
- Y3/4 Football Club  
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### SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 5th October 2017 @ 9.15 am  
Key Stage 2 Children & Families  
Mass - Led by **Year 4**



The details of our next school Mass will be in this newsletter each week. All parents, family members & Parish are invited to come and join our Mass celebration so please pop in if you have time to spare. See you soon.



### This week in school... Year 1 Maths work.



Great independent work in Year 1 maths lessons this week.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Copies of the newsletter with a larger font are available in the School Reception for people with visual needs and on the school website.

[www.ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk](http://www.ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk)

**Punctuality** – School starts at 8.50 am and closes at 3.20 pm Monday to Thursday. Friday 8.50 am to 2.00 pm.

Punctuality is important to ensure a good school day for children and staff.

**Security** – Once children have been dropped off at school, they must not under any circumstances leave the school premises.

**Pupil absence** – If your child is absent from school please remember to **phone school before 9.30 am.** & send a note in when your child returns.

**Uniform** – Please ensure that **ALL** school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

**Dinner money** – *This has increased from 24th April 2017 and is £2.25 per day (£11.25 per wk).* Make cheques payable to 'City of Birmingham School Meals'. Please send dinner money on a Monday in a **SEPARATE** envelope to all other monies.

**School Dinners** – If your child changes their meal pattern from School dinners to packed lunch or swap from pizza day to packed lunch we must insist on half a terms notice. Thank you.

### Thought for our Diocesan Virtues

#### Autumn 1 - Eloquent & Truthful

Our pupils are taught that it is important they are able to express their thoughts and beliefs and that they must be learn to explain and convince others with great articulation and **eloquence**. That being **truthful** is being faithful to oneself and to Jesus.

### Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: What goes around and around the wood but never goes into the wood?

(See Mr Porter with your answer to check if you're right!)

Last weeks answer was:

... neither because  $9 + 5 = 14$  not 13...

### Prayer of the Week!!!

St. Francis of Assisi Vocation Prayer.

Most High, Glorious God,  
enlighten the darkness of our minds.

Give us a right faith,  
a firm hope and a perfect charity,  
so that we may always and in all things act  
according to Your Holy Will.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

### Parish Events

#### SS Peter & Paul Weekend Masses

#### Changes to Parish Mass Times

Please note, Parish Mass times are changing on this weekend of 30th September/1st October.

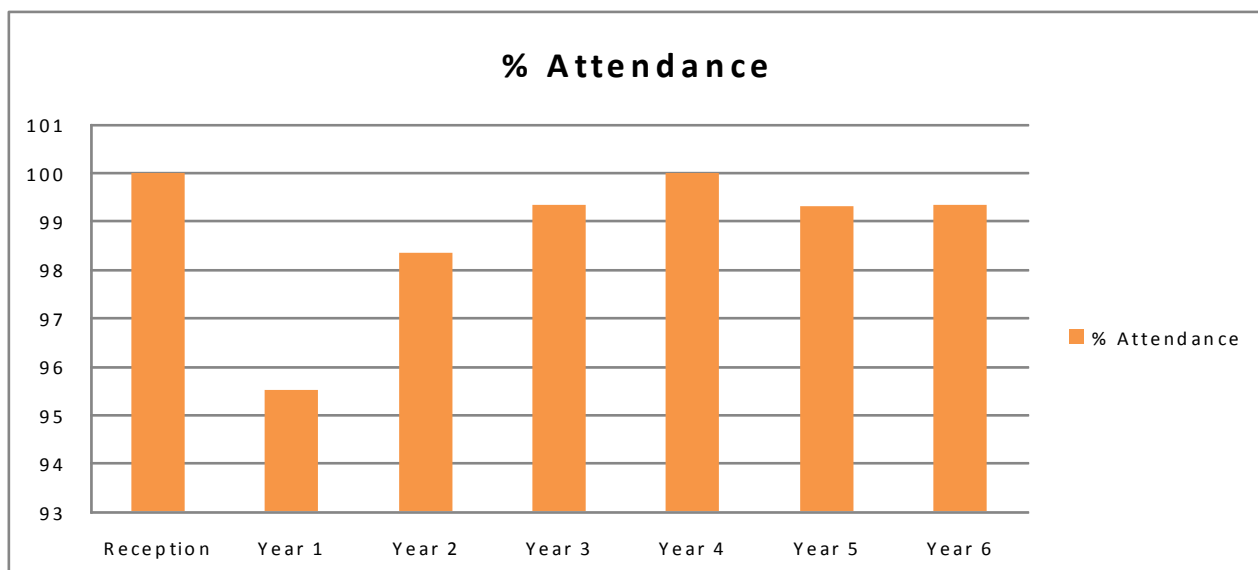
Saturday @ 5.00 pm

Sunday @ 9.30 am

(All school Sunday Masses will be at 9.30 am)

As a School and Parish community we should be supporting these events to make SS Peter & Paul a lively and thriving Parish, full of joy and community spirit.

Pupil Attendance for the week of September 18th to 22nd 2017 is 98.84%



**Congratulations to Reception Class and Year 4 well done for their excellent attendance!**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-**

**Lauren Nelson, David Smith, David Mozes, Elin O'Callaghan, Ewan McGlinchey, Bradley Wiggins.**



### 'STAR OF THE WEEK'

**Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-**

- **Reception** — Rylie-Rose Tyler
- **Year 1** — Bethany Mallinder
- **Year 2** — Whole Class for leading the wonderful Mass this week.
- **Year 3** — Sidney Clifford
- **Year 4** — Szymon Bylica
- **Year 5** — Kayleigh Granner
- **Year 6** — Thomas Sweeney



### House Points

Saint Peter	104
Saint Paul	131
Our Lady	120
Saint Joseph	101



Well done to St Paul our winners.  
Congratulations!!!

## Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important! Do you know what your child is watching or doing on the internet?

### Top Tips for staying safe online

You can report anyone who is being abusive to you online or via social media by contacting the police on [www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/](http://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/)

## Spanish Word of the Week

(Palabra de la semana)

"Palabra"

means... word.



### Leading Light Club

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Thank you for taking time  
to read our Newsletter.





# **S.P.F.A**

## **Advertising Page**

**Following the successful SPFA meeting on Tuesday it has been decided that we will trial an 'Advertising Page' in each weeks school newsletter. Anyone with a small business or service to promote can pay the SPFA to put their advert on this page.**

**For more information please contact:**

**Kristina Moore on 07950815868**

**or**

**Kelly Thompson on 07938638541**

**Every little bit helps raise funds so lets see how it goes!**

**SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School is not promoting or verifying the quality of the products or services advertised above in any form and cannot be held accountable for any issues that may arise following your use of the businesses advertised above.**