

★ SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School ★

Part of... St. John Paul II Multi-Academy

We live and learn in the light of Christ!

Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 6th November 2020



Autumn 2 - Week 09

This week we pray for...



... our Reception Children

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

I hope you all had a lovely Half Term. It is great to welcome all of our children back, who all look so smart in their new Winter Uniforms. A special well done to Year six and Year Three who all worked so hard before we broke up during their period of self isolation and accessed and completed their online learning. I would also like to thank the teachers for the video clips, feedback and guidance that they provided during this time to support their classes learning. We are so happy you are back in school now!

We have had a busy first week back in school with a series of beautiful prayer services that have taken place in class. A special mention to Year One who had prepared so well for their class Mass that should have taken place this week. Unfortunately due to the new guidelines that have been introduced relating to COVID 19 this was unable to take place in Church. However the children shared their readings and prayers in class with great enthusiasm and reverence. Moving forward Father Joe has agreed to zoom Masses into school with the children reading from the Bible and leading bidding prayers from the classroom. A big thank you to Father Joe who has worked with the school to ensure that we have these opportunities for collective worship even in these difficult circumstances.

We had our first Celebration Assembly of the term today, again through the magic of Zoom. It was lovely to be able to come together as a school community to celebrate our children's achievements and hard work. The assembly is available on our school YouTube channel which can only be accessed by our parents through the link on Parentmail. Well done and thank you to all of our Faith Ambassadors, House Captains and Student Council representatives who finally received their badges this week and who are all working hard to fulfil their new roles.

Finally this week we had our Parent Governor elections. Thank you to all of you who casted your vote for your parent representative. The results will be announced next week.

Have a wonderful weekend!



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ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
New Term Begins	Tuesday 1st Sept	Monday 4th January	Monday 19th April
1st Half -Term Ends	Friday 23rd October	Friday 12th February	Friday 28th May
2nd Half -Term Begins	Monday 2nd Nov	Monday 22nd February	Monday 7th June
Term Ends	Friday 18th Dec	Thursday 1st April	Wed 21st July

ACADEMY FUND DONATIONS

Academy Fund via ParentMail (School Enrichment Funding)

This is a voluntary contribution to be paid each term which goes towards buying additional equipment and resources for your children. You will receive a request via ParentMail termly...

"St. John Paul II Multi-Academy invites parents to give annually to your school fund. A donation of £10 per term is suggested but you may contribute more if you wish."

Please rest assured that any payment you make is for our school and our children only, guaranteed!
Thank you for your support.

School Mobile Phone

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



07885 235 496

NEWS

We will keep you informed, please read this information carefully.

- **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU WEAR FACE MASKS / COVERINGS WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN.**
- **Monday 9th November**—On Monday photos will be taken around school for the school website and a virtual tour will be filmed for prospective Reception parents and for the website. Any children who are not allowed to be photographed or filmed will not be involved in this.
- **Food Bank**— A reminder that any parents that would like to access this service or who may need some support can contact the school on our confidential email address: family@ssptrpl.net
- **Water Bottles**—please can you ensure that you send your child into school with a water bottle every day.
- **P.E. kits**—Please can you make sure that all PE kits are back in school for pupils use during P.E .lessons.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next virtual coffee morning on Friday 20th November from 9.30 AM—10.30 AM. Please contact the school office for a zoom appointment. If you have any concerns regarding your child please contact Mrs Calvert- Lyons on the SENCo email which is senco@ssptrpl.net
- **Uniform**—All children should now be in full Winter Uniform including a school tie. If you need to purchase one you can do so through the school office. A quick reminder about footwear children should not be wearing trainers or boots to school, they should be wearing black shoes in line with the school uniform policy
- **Hair** — We have a strict policy regarding haircuts in school. We do not allow lines or fashion haircuts and girls hair should be tied back at all times.
- **Earrings** - From January, in line with the rest of the academy, SS Peter and Paul will not allow earrings of any sort to be worn in school.
- **Reception Children 2021-2022** — Unfortunately we are unable to allow parents into school at the moment so we will be posting a virtual video tour on the school website for any prospective parents. Please spread the word.
- **Remote/Home Learning Information**—Please keep an eye on Parent-Mail to see our plans for how the children will continue to learn if we have to close any 'pods' due to COVID-19.
- **Outside Achievements**—Please remember to email us photos of your achievements outside of school so we can celebrate them in our newsletter. Emails should be sent to enquiry@ssptrpl.net
- **Erdington COVID19 Taskforce**— This team of individuals are providing support within our local community during this difficult time. Please see their website for further information www.erdingtonlocal.com/covid-19-local-support

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Monday 9th November—Photos and video for the school website to take place.

Monday 16th November—Individual and Class photos

Stay Safe Online

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

[https://
www.internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org)



Leading Light Club

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TRAINING DAYS

- Friday 27th November 2020
- Monday 7th June 2021
- Two more to be confirmed...

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Tuesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Wednesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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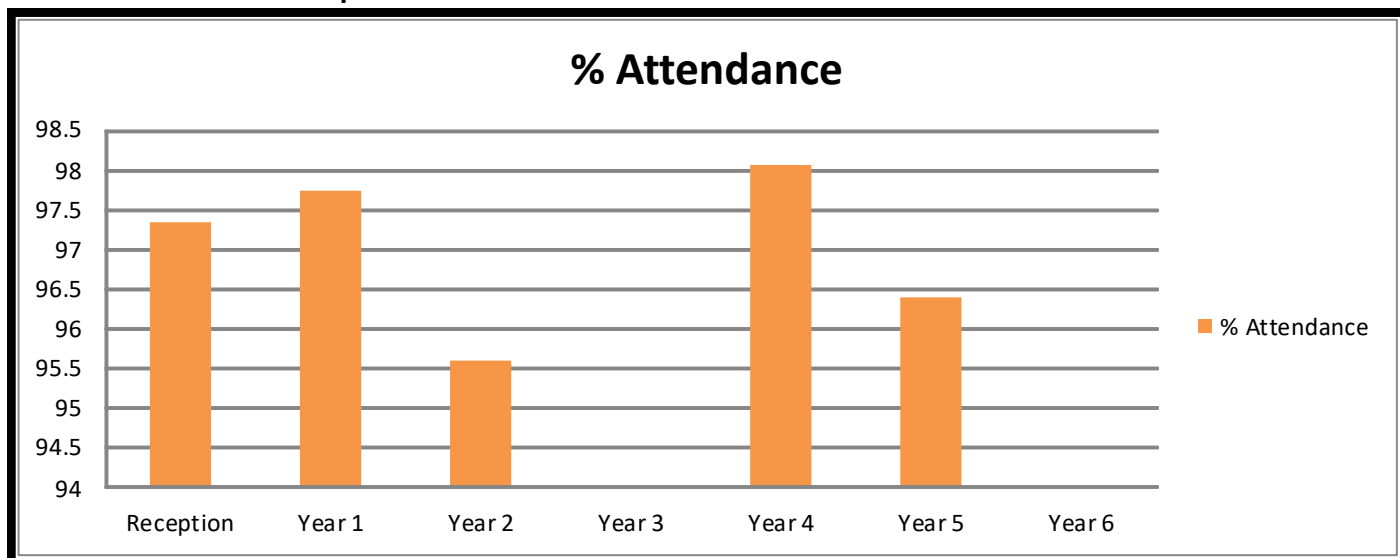
Thursday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Friday (2.00 - 3.00 pm)

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Pupil Attendance 19th October – 23rd October 2020 = 97.04%





Congratulations to Year 4 for their 98.06% attendance.

Attendance Explanation				
100% - Excellent	99-97% - Good	96-95% - Satisfactory	94% - Below Expectation	< 94% - Unsatisfactory

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

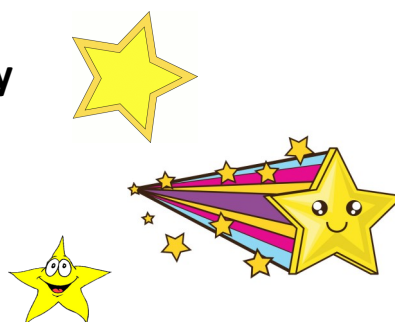
**Jacob Baldock, Emilia Mosakowska, Louis Player,
Eamonn McLaughlin, Caitlin Dockery,
Josephine James, Keon Gerroni,
Aimee Salari, Jimmy Moore
and Eszter-Izabella Borsos**

'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:

- Reception – Imaan Iltaf
- Year 1 — Orla McLoughlin-Kennedy
- Year 2 — Amal Biju
- Year 3 — Adam Studzik
- Year 4 — Pippa Bricknell
- Year 5 — Maja Glogowska
- Year 6 — Henry Carter



Reward Charts

Well done to these children for completing their Reward Charts this week:

**Emily Phillips, Tilly Porter, Borbala Borsos,
Alexander Jaggers Grace Bennett and
Kristopher Khera.**



House Points

**St. Peter 296
St. Paul 283
Our Lady 338
St. Joseph 357**

**Congratulations St Josephs!!!
Our Weekly Winners.**

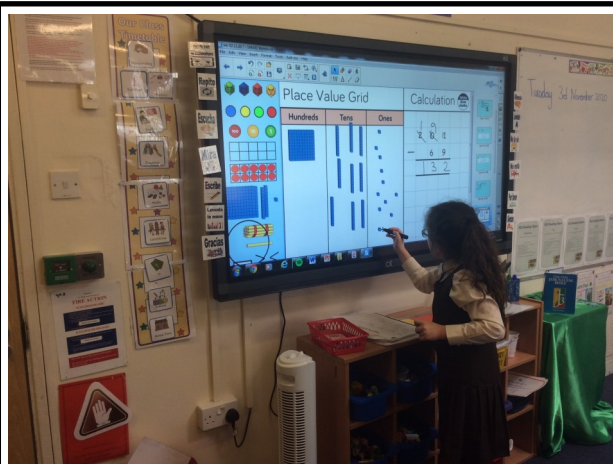
This week in School...



Here are Year 4 acting out 'The Story of Joseph' in their RE lesson.



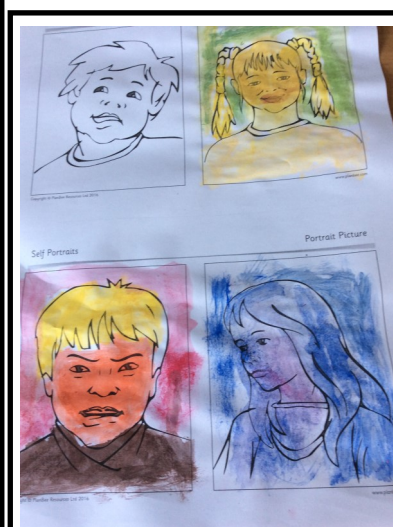
Year 5 have been exploring how pillars and beams are used to span gaps in DT.



Year 3 have been using different representations to help them understand subtraction



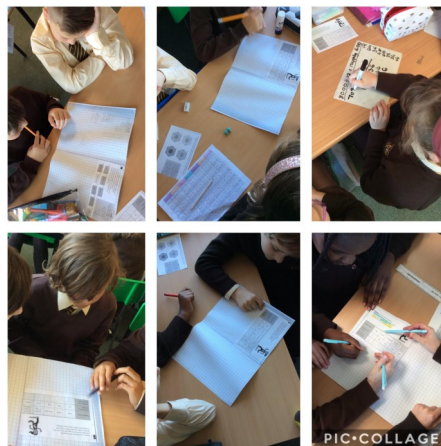
Reception are pictured making their Firework Art.



Year 2 have been painting with water colours in Art.



Year 1 are here in their music lesson, clapping and dancing to hip-hop music.



Year 6 long division and reasoning. They have been working collaboratively to problem solve.

RE

Our Virtues this term are:

CURIOUS... about the world and how God created it.

& ACTIVE... in protecting the world which God created.

Bible quote of the week...

"Whatever you work is, put your heart into it as done for the Lord and not human beings"

Colossians 3:23

Polish Word of the Week
(Polskie słowo tygodnia)

"Dzień dobry"

means...

Good morning.



Spanish Word of the Week

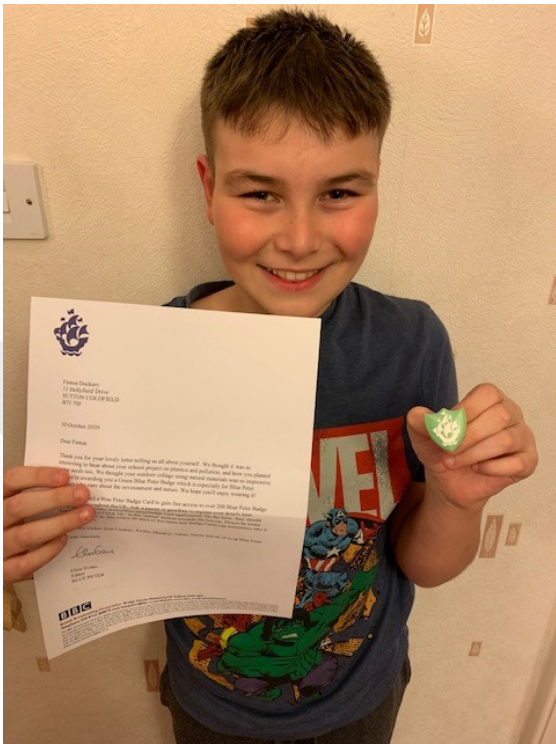
(Palabra de la semana)

"difundir alegría y felicidad"

means...

Spread joy and happiness.

Look at how great we are!



**FD has been awarded
with a Green
(Environment)
Blue Peter badge
this week.
Well done FD,
you really are
incredible!**



**NE was successful in a
5-2 win for Boldmere St
Michael's. He was
awarded both Managers
Man of the Match and
Players Man of the
Match.
Amazing NE!**



**MG got Star of the
Week at her
Karate class and
Performer of the
Week at her
Performing Art
Class.
Well done MG!!!**



COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE
A quick reference guide for parents and staff

Please follow the advice below for your child and family.

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school - Contact school to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Get a test <p>Inform the school immediately about the test result</p>	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days). - Self-isolate the whole household. 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> AND the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact school to inform us. - Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day). 	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Ring on each day of illness. 	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Self-isolate the whole household. - Household member to get a test. - Inform school immediately about test result. 	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). - Self-isolate the whole household. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. - Child can continue to attend school. 	...child can continue to attend school

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. - SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School child(ren) can continue to attend. 	...child can continue to attend school
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: - minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled. - contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. - Self-isolate the whole household. - *Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information 	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed: - Check the current Exempt countries and territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list. - Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school. 	...you have informed the office of your return to the UK <i>(the office will ask you a few questions about your travel).</i>
...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school. - The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs <i>(please contact school if you need support getting your child to school).</i> 	...child can continue to attend school
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. 	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.</p> <p>...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child must not come to school. - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. - Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
...I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i> 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.



Public Health
England

Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- It can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- The infection is not serious for most people, including children
- There is currently no vaccine
- Most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- You can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- The chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- If you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



**After breaks
& sport
activities**



**Before
cooking
& eating**



**SCHOOL
ETC.**
**On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting**



**After using
the toilet**



**Before
leaving
home**



**Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands**



**Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles**



**If unwell do not share
items such as bedding,
dishes, pencils & towels**



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit NHS.UK to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See NHS.UK for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately



CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

