

# ★ 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 13th September 2019



**Autumn 1 - Week 02**

This week we pray for these special people! New Reception Class



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## ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2019	Spring 2020	Summer 2020
New Term Begins	Monday 2nd Sept	Monday 6th January	Monday 27th April
1st Half-Term Ends	Friday 25th October	Friday 14th February	Friday 22nd May
2nd Half-Term Begins	Monday 4th Nov	Monday 24th February	Monday 1st June
Term Ends	Friday 20th Dec	Thursday 9th April	Friday 17th July

## SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(now including standing orders)

Week 02

## School Fund will continue...

### Direct Debit

You should all have received a new Standing Order form for your School Fund contributions, please can you complete and return it to school as soon as possible so that we can get your School Fund set up again. If you need a new form, please ask.

## School Fund Account Details.

Account Number: 30048268

Sort Code: 30 98 37

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,

Our new children have settled into school life so well as our Reception children complete their first full week with very little fuss, it's like they've been with us for ages. I'm really looking forward to celebrating our Reception Welcome Mass on Sunday morning. It would be great to see as many members of the school community there as possible. The children **DO NOT** need to wear school uniform for the Mass.

Thank you to all who attended the Parents Information Meetings over the last two weeks, taking the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher. I hope you found them informative.

Big thank you to Year 5 for their lovely Class Mass for Key Stage 2 on Thursday. I was very impressed with the reading and singing. Thank you Mrs Wright for preparing it.

Thursday proved to be a tough day for the whole school community as we began to come to terms with the devastating loss of our much loved Teaching Assistant, Mrs Dilks. I received the news on Wednesday night and informed the staff on Thursday morning, just before Mass. I did not tell the children until the end of the day as I knew that the news would cause a lot of upset; everyone from Year 2 upwards knew and loved Mrs Dilks so I could only imagine the heart break that this awful news would cause. Leaving it until the end of the day gave the children chance to come to terms with this loss with you, their parents, so that you can try to help them begin to understand what has happened. I thank everyone for their kind words of support. Our thoughts and prayers remain with the Dilks family at this time. As soon as I find out any information on arrangements, I will let you all know. Just to pre-warn you that this may require the school to close for the day to allow all staff to attend. A book of condolence will be in the entrance from Monday for anyone wishing to leave a comment as I know many of you were taught by Mrs Dilks too; come in any time.

**Rest in peace Mrs Dilks. Goodbye and God Bless...**



Neil Porter –  
Head Teacher

## NEWS

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

- **New Office Helper**—We have a new member of the team joining us from a local college for one day a week to help Mrs Brennan in an admin support role; Mr Steven James. I know you will all make him feel welcome if you see him in the office.
- **Uniform Policy - Haircuts & Trainers**—Please can I remind parents we have a strict Uniform Policy which must be adhered to at all times. It is available to read on our website. Thank you to all those who support our policy.
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL UNIFORM & CLOTHING IS CLEARLY LABELLED**
- **Photos and Videos**—Please can I remind all parents that we no longer allow parents to take photos or make videos of the children during any assembly or school event for reasons of safeguarding. Thank you for cooperating.
- **Parish Cultural Evening**—The Church are holding their popular annual Parish Cultural evening on Saturday 14th September in the Parish Hall. The tickets are £5.00 per family and are being sold by some parents in Year 2 and Year 4. It is always a well attended evening so make sure you get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.
- **Classroom Volunteer Initiative Continues**—I have sent out an invitation to all family, friends and supporters of the school asking for volunteers to help in class around the school. This was very successful last year and I hope that this year proves to be a success too. If you're interested in helping then complete the form and send it back or contact school for more information.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next SEN drop in session on Friday 20th September @ 9.30 to 10.00 am. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- [senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk](mailto:senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk), to book a session.
- **Swimming 2019** - Each KS2 class will have an assessment lesson to see whether the children can swim 25m; Y5 on Friday 20th, Y4 on Friday 27th September and Y3 on Friday 4th October. The coach leaves school at 8.45am so your child will need to be in school so as not to miss the coach.
- **School Pupil meals**— Would you please inform the school office if your child is swapping between school meals or sandwiches so that we have an accurate record of how many dinners we are ordering, thank you.
- **No Smoking**— Please note that we have a no smoking policy on site at any time, whether you are dropping off or picking up your child at Leading Light Club or School. Plus, I would ask politely that anyone who does smoke out on the road, if they could do it away from the gates. Thank you.
- **Year 3 First Holy Communion Date**—Just to inform parents, as some have already been asking, the date of the First Holy Communion for our Year 3 children will be Sunday 3rd May 2020. More detailed information will be given nearer the time.
- **SPFA Reception Welcome Disco**—On Friday 11th October we are holding our welcome disco for our Reception families in the Parish Hall. We have Reception families only from 6.00—7.00 pm to give them a chance to get to know each other then the rest of the school community will join them from 7.00 pm onward. More information and tickets will be available soon.
- **James Staunton Memorial Fundraiser**—See Page 9 of this newsletter.
- **Test**—*If you have read this newsletter can you text 'YES' to 07885 235 496. Considering we have 163 families in school, I only got 22 text messages to say they read the newsletter...??? Very disappointing.*

## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Swimming - @ 8.45 am

Friday 20th September - Year 5

Friday 27th September - Year 4

Friday 4th October - Year 3

Reception Welcome Mass

Sunday 15th September @ 9.30 am

Key Stage 1 Mass - Year 2

Thursday 19th September @ 9.15 am

Teacher Training Day—School Closed

Monday 30th September 2019

Year 5 Class Trip - Tudor Farm

Tuesday 1st October 2019

Key Stage 2 Mass - Year 4

Thursday 3rd October @ 9.15 am

Key Stage 1 Mass - Year 3

Thursday 10th October @ 9.15 am

SPFA Reception Welcome Disco

Friday 11th October @ 6.00 pm

Prospective Parents Open Afternoon

Tuesday 22nd Oct @ 1.30 - 3.00 pm

Parents Evening - Autumn Term

Wednesday 23rd Oct @ 3.30 - 6.00 pm

Thursday 24th Oct @ 3.30 - 6.00 pm

## TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 2nd September 2019
- Monday 30th September 2019
- Friday 29th November 2019
- Monday 24th February 2020
- One more to be confirmed...

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

**Monday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- Y5 & 6 Football Club

- Coding Club

**Tuesday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- KS2 Monster Craft

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**Wednesday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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**Thursday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

- KS1 Monster Craft

- Y5 & 6 Girls Football Club

**Friday** (2.00 - 3.00 pm)

- Y3 & 4 Football Club

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### SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 19th September 2019 @ 9.15 am  
Key Stage 1 Children & Families - Led by Year 2



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 2 Quill Writing



### 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.net](http://www.ssptrpl.net)**

**Punctuality** – School starts at 8.50 am & closes at 3.20 pm Monday to Thursday. Every Friday it's open 8.50 am to 2.00 pm. Punctuality is important to ensure a good school day for both children and staff.

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

**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** – Please note this will increase to **£2.35 per day (£11.75 per week) with effect from 30th April 2019.** Please remember we are now 'Cashless' so all dinner money payments must be made via **ParentMail.**

**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 - Grateful & Generous

Our pupils are taught that it is important to be **grateful**; count your blessings every day and remember to pause sometimes to change things to make them right. Be **generous**; give to others without counting the cost or expecting anything in return and grow to be men, women and children for others.

### Riddle of the Week!!!

**Q: What did the left eye say to the right eye?**

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

**Last weeks answer was:**  
... words ...

### Prayer of the Week!!!

#### **Prayer for the recently departed**

Into your hands, O Lord,  
we humbly entrust our beloved Mrs Dilks.  
In this life you embraced her with your tender love;  
deliver her now from every evil  
and bid her eternal rest.  
The old order has passed away:  
welcome her into paradise,  
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain,  
but fullness of peace and joy  
with your Son and the Holy Spirit  
forever and ever.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

### Parish Events

#### Parish Weekend Masses

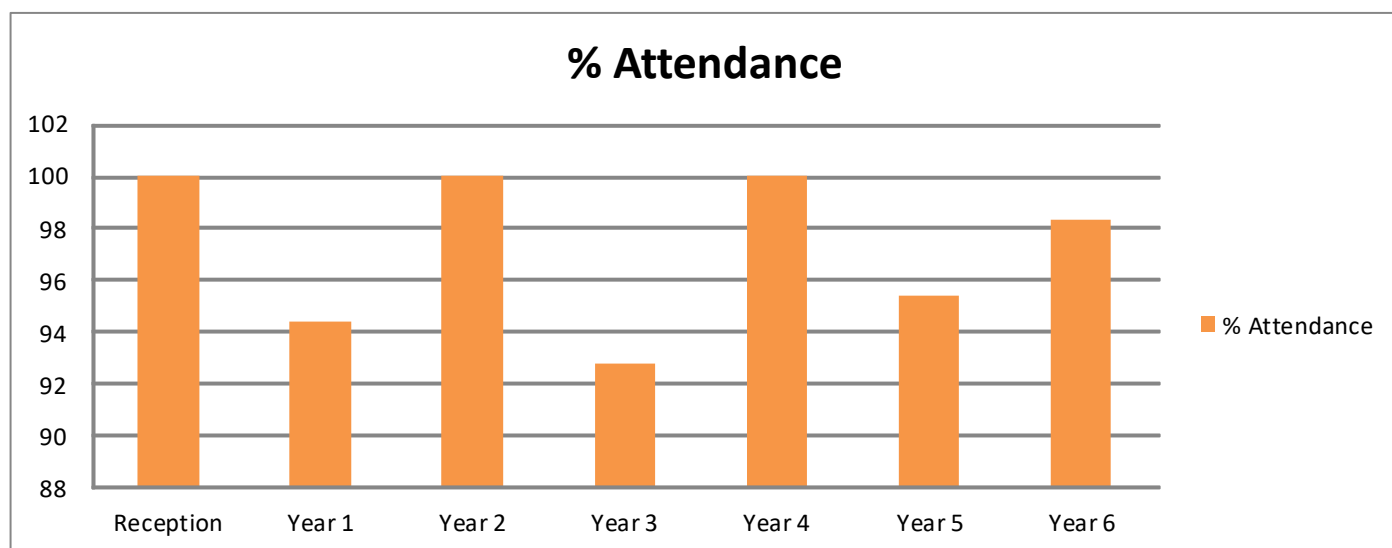
Saturday Evening @ 5pm  
Sunday Morning @ 9.30 am

#### Parish Cultural Evening

Saturday 14th September 2019 @ 7.00 pm  
Tickets available from the Church Piety Stall or  
Year 2 and Year 4 Parents

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 3rd September - 6th September 2019 = 96.99%



**Congratulations to Reception and Years 2 & 3. Well done for their 100% attendance. Excellent.**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

**Julian Kossecki, Isabella Recci, Maja Glogowska**



### 'STAR OF THE WEEK'

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

- Reception - Whole Class for settling in
- Year 1 — Kye Collins
- Year 2 — Conor Conway
- Year 3 — Joseph Pardy
- Year 4 — Ernest Kuras
- Year 5 — Sidney Clifford and Shaun Fitzpatrick
- Year 6 — Alarnae Beckford and Kaisey Thomas



	<u>House Points</u>
St Peter	42
St Paul	48
Our Lady	71
St Joseph	49



**Congratulations!!!  
Our Lady's our weekly winners.**

## 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

Please check out this website for support

<https://www.internetmatters.org>

## Spanish Word of the Week

(Palabra de la semana)

"bueno estar de vuelta"

means... good to be back.



**Leading Light Club**

**Contact Details**

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Thank you for taking time  
to read our Newsletter.





**SCHOOL PARENTS &  
FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

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

**Our SPFA 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**

**SPFA Bonus Ball Winner  
£220.00  
Friday 30th August 2019  
Ball 59 - Mrs S. Daniels  
Well done to you!!!**

A reminder to all Parents that you can use the Easy Fundraising Website to shop online and raise money for the school at the same time... check out the link below for more information. Thank you to everyone who is using it, every contribution is greatly appreciated.

<https://Easyfundraising.org.uk>

# PUMPKIN Competition



**SPFA Carve/Decorate a  
Pumpkin Competition**

**£1 per Entry**

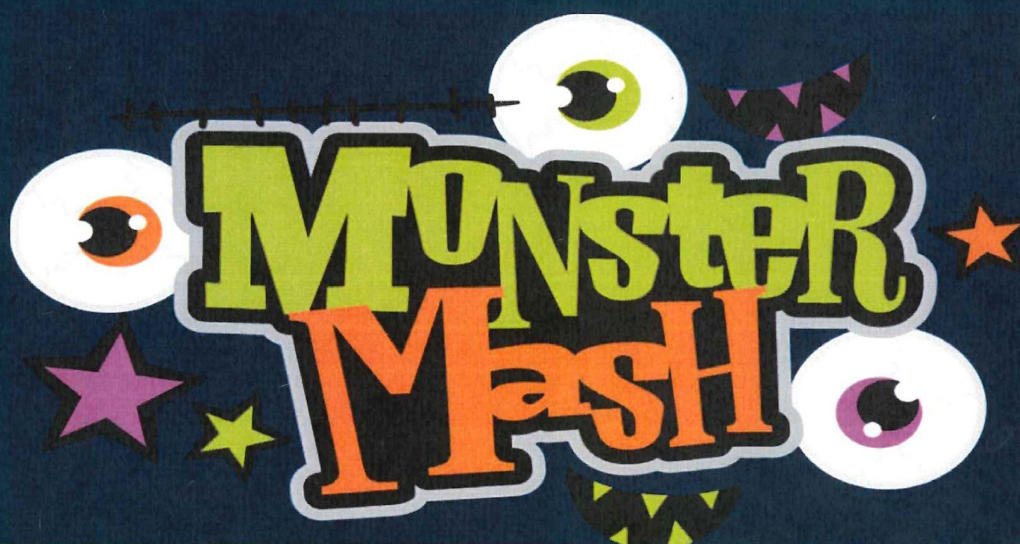
**Entries will be judged in  
Celebration Assembly on  
11.10.2019 and then displayed at  
the Reception Welcome Disco**

Entries to be handed into  
the school office by  
09.00am on Friday 11  
October 2019

**KS1 & KS2  
winners will  
receive a  
prize**

# SPFA Reception Class

## Welcome Disco &



**Tickets on sale to Reception Class Families** w/c 16.09.2019

**Tickets on Sale to Rest of the School** w/c 23.09.2019

Date:	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
Reception Class Families	18:00pm
Rest of the School	19:00pm
Where:	SS Peter & Paul Church Hall
Adult	£3.50
Child	£2.50
Family of 4	£10.00
Family of 5	£11.00

**Come In  
Fancy Dress**

**For tickets see Kristina, Kelly or your SPFA Class Rep.**

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# SPFA Bonus Ball Draw Dates 2019

January Friday 25th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)	February Friday 22nd <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)	March Friday 29th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (5)	April Friday 26th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)
May Friday 31st <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)	June Friday 28th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (5)	July Friday 26th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)	August Friday 30th <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (5)
September Friday 27th (4)	October Friday 25th (4)	November Friday 29th (5)	December Friday 27th Recorded & Posted (4)

\*Draws will take place during Celebration Assembly. Where no assembly takes place the numbers will be drawn by Mr Porter or Mrs Calvert-Lyons and sealed in an envelope for revealing on the draw date.



**JAMES  
STAUNTON**  
FOUNDATION TRUST

**PRESENTS**

*Mr & Mrs*

Miss & Miss - Mr & Mr  
any 2 will do

*Quiz night and disco*

**Saturday**

**28th September**

**Tickets £5**

The Kingstanding Inn,  
72 Warren Farm Road  
Kingstanding, B44 0QN

For Tickets and Information call 07853 383092 / 07961 022507



## FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT



**JAMES  
STAUNTON**  
FOUNDATION TRUST



**7 A-SIDE  
CHARITY TOURNAMENT  
AND FAMILY FUN DAY**

TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM FOR THE TOURNAMENTS CALL  
07853383092 / 07961022507  
VISIT THE JAMES STAUNTON FOUNDATION TRUST ON FACEBOOK