

# ★ 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 2nd October 2020



**Autumn 1 - Week 05**

This week we pray for...



... our Year 6 Children

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Birmingham is still considered to be a high risk area for COVID 19 infection and therefore there are a number of restrictions and guidelines in place to help us all stay safe. I ask that you remain vigilant and follow the guidance. A big thank you to all of the parents who have been wearing face masks to pick up and drop off your children as this helps to keep us all safe.

A big thank you to year four for preparing a lovely Mass on Thursday, the children read beautifully and Mrs Adamo once again provided some inspirational and moving music. Thank you also to Miss Murphy and Miss Heart for preparing the children so well.

This week we introduced hot meals for our Key Stage One children. The children have adapted to their new lunchtime routine well and have enjoyed eating their hot dinners in the Hall. I am delighted to say that from Monday hot dinners will now be available for all Key Stage two children who have requested them.

The weather is starting to change and is quite unpredictable at the moment so we ask that all children bring a coat to school with them so that at playtimes they can stay warm and dry. On this point a reminder that after October Half Term children will be expected to wear Winter School Uniform. This consists of brown trousers, skirts or pinafores and a shirt, tie and jumper. If anyone has any questions about uniform please feel free to contact Mrs Brennan in the school office or our wonderful SPFA who stock and sell these items.

A massive congratulations to Oliver Jones and Bryan Mudalige, who've been selected to play football for the district. Well done also to all those that went to trials but were not selected, there is always next year!!

It is with sadness that we say farewell to another one of our pupils Oakley Clarke. We wish him every success in his new school and our loss is their gain. Good luck Oakley! Finally, thank you to all of you, who have applied to be a parent governor. Details will follow shortly and parents will be asked to vote to elect the candidate who they feel would represent the parent's voice most effectively on the governing body.

God Bless



Mrs Calvert-Lyons  
Head of School

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## ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
<b>New Term Begins</b>	Tuesday 1st Sept	Monday 4th January	Monday 19th April
<b>1st Half -Term Ends</b>	Friday 23rd October	Friday 12th February	Friday 28th May
<b>2nd Half -Term Begins</b>	Monday 2nd Nov	Monday 22nd February	Monday 7th June
<b>Term Ends</b>	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.**
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next virtual coffee morning on Friday 16th October from 9.30 AM—10.30 AM. Please contact the school office for a zoom appointment.
- **Name Labels**—Please can you make sure that all water bottles, school bags, uniform and clothing is clearly labelled.
- **Winter Uniform**—All children are to wear Winter Uniform from 2nd November.
- **Parents Evening**— We will be conducting Parents Evening over Zoom on the 21st and 22nd of October. All parents / carers will be asked to sign up for a virtual appointment through Parentmail next week.
- **Flu vaccinations**—Can I ask that any outstanding Vaccination forms are returned to the school office as soon as possible. Vaccinations will take place in school on Monday the 2nd November.
- **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 and talk on the school website for any prospective parents. Please spread the word.
- **Secondary School Applications**—Please remember the deadline for these is 31st October. Please check with individual schools to identify if they require additional supplementary information including a Certificate of Catholic Practice.
- **Bishop Walsh Virtual Open Evening** - For more details on applying to Bishop Walsh Catholic School for 2021 start for Year 7, please go to <https://www.bishopwalsh.net/open-evening-2020>
- **Remote/Home Learning Information**—Please keep an eye on ParentMail to see our plans for how the children will continue to learn if we have to close any 'pods' due to COVID-19.

### 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>

## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Year 3 Class Mass in Church  
Thursday 8th October @ 9.15 am

Year 2 Class Mass in Church  
Thursday 15th October @ 9.15 am

Year 1 Class Mass in Church  
Thursday 22nd October @ 9.15 am  
Feast of John Paul II

Break Up for Half-Term  
Friday 23rd October @ 1 - 1.30 pm

Autumn Term 2 Starts for pupils  
Monday 2nd November 2020



### Leading Light Club

#### Contact Details

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## TRAINING DAYS

- Tuesday 1st September 2020
- 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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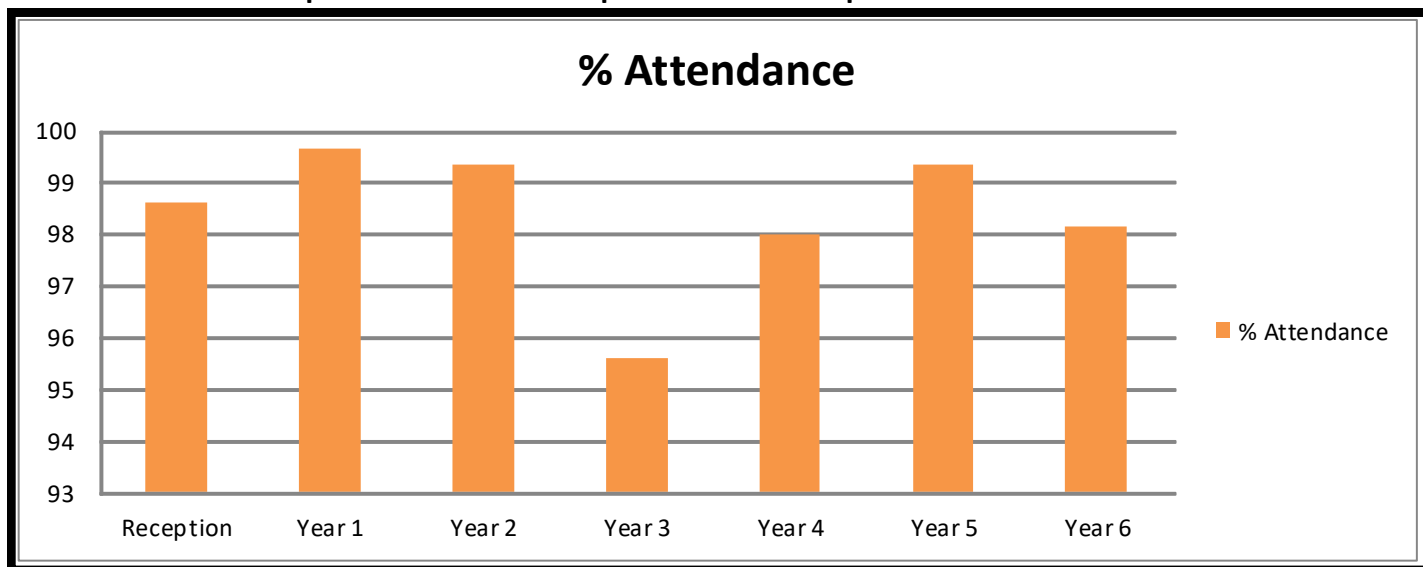
**Thursday** (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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**Friday** (2.00 - 3.00 pm)


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Pupil Attendance 21st September – 25th September 2020 = 98.39%




**Congratulations to Year 1 for their 99.66% attendance.**

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



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Ezekiel Smith, Filip Kawalek, David Mozes,  
Bradley Wiggins, Leo Harrison, A'Taya Gerroni and  
Grace Killarney**



### 'STAR OF THE WEEK'

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

- Reception – Lillia McLoughlin-Kennedy
- Year 1 — Kinga Czopek
- Year 2 — Fiona Fashi Muringampurath
- Year 3 — William McBride
- Year 4 — Mia Floyd
- Year 5 — Julian Kossecki
- Year 6 — Aimee Nupa



<u>House Points</u>	
<b>St. Peter</b>	<b>286</b>
<b>St. Paul</b>	<b>273</b>
<b>Our Lady</b>	<b>265</b>
<b>St. Joseph</b>	<b>295</b>
<b>Congratulations St Joseph's!!!</b> <b>Our Weekly Winners.</b>	



# This week in School...



Year 6 love the book, 'Wonder'!  
The main character, August is an inspiration to us all.



Year 5 pupils working hard in the ICT suite, reviewing and improving their own work.



Year 2 were looking at the basic needs of animals in their Science lesson.



Year 4 learned about Ancient Greek civilisation. They looked at a range of sources and explored how these can give more information about the Greek way of life.



Reception have been enjoying their hot school dinners.

## 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...

*"When Jesus spoke to the people again, he said: I am the light of the world; anyone who follows me will not be walking in the dark, but will have the light of life." John 8:12*



Year 3 are researching famous buildings in Art. This week they looked at the Taj Mahal.



Year 1 have been praying very nicely in class this week.

### Polish Word of the Week (Polskie słowo tygodnia)

"Udanego weekendu"

means... Have a great weekend.

### Spanish Word of the Week (Palabra de la semana)

"Ten un excelente fin de semana"

means... Have a great weekend.



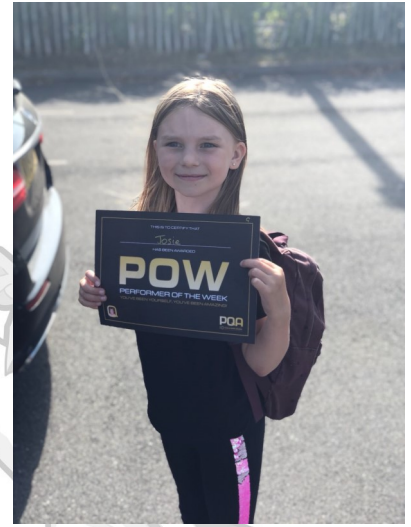
# Look at how great we are!



CH got Man of the Match on Sunday at his football match.



BM played in the under 10's cricket team and performed exceptionally well. Here he is with legendary English cricketer Ian Bell who was very impressed with BM's performance.



JJ got Performer of the Week at PQA last weekend.



CL got Player of the Week at his Rugby class last weekend



The G sisters here showing their certificates for Star of the Week at their Karate class.



OJ made it into the District Football Team this week..







**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"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>- Get a test</li> </ul> <p><b>Inform the school immediately about the test result</b></p>	...the test comes back negative <b>or</b> 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"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	...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> <b>AND</b> the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day).</li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Ring on each day of illness.</li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- Household member to get a test.</li> <li>- <b>Inform school immediately about test result.</b></li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</b></li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- <b>The household member must self-isolate for 14 days.</b></li> <li>- Child can continue to attend school.</li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- <b>Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days.</b></li> <li>- SS Peter &amp; Paul Catholic Primary School child(ren) can continue to attend.</li> </ul>	...child can continue to attend school
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is <b>NOT</b> on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*:</b></li> <li>- minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled.</li> <li>- contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school.</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- *<a href="#">Foreign, Commonwealth &amp; Development Office (FCDO)</a> – for up to date travel information</li> </ul>	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that <b>IS</b> on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</b></li> <li>- Check the current <a href="#">Exempt countries and territories list</a> to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list.</li> <li>- Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school.</li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school.</li> <li>- The person who has travelled <b>MUST NOT</b> 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></li> </ul>	...child can continue to attend school
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	<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"> <li>- <b>Child must not come to school.</b></li> <li>- Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school.</li> <li>- Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>- <b>Other siblings may continue to attend school.</b></li> </ul>	...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"> <li>- <b>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.</b></li> </ul>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.



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# 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](https://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](https://gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit [NHS.UK](https://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](https://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.

