

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School

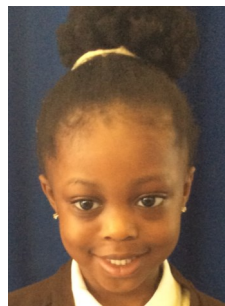


We live and learn in the light of Christ!

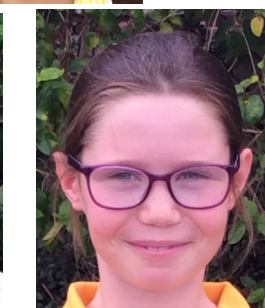
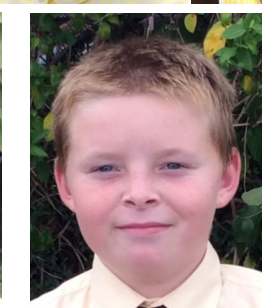
Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 14th July 2017

Week 38

This week we pray for these special people!



Natalia
Amelia
Michelle
James
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Rozalia
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Scarlett



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TERM DATES

Term	Summer 2017	Autumn 2017	Spring 2018
New Term Begins	Monday 24th April	Monday 4th Sept	Monday 8th January
1st Half-Term Ends	Friday 26th May	Friday 20th October	Friday 16th February
2nd Half-Term Begins	Monday 5th June	Monday 30th October	Monday 26th February
Term Ends	Monday 24th July	Friday 22nd Dec	Thurs 29th March

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(including standing orders)

Week 38

Reception	£8.87
Year 1	£16.00
Year 2	£27.25
Year 3	£6.50
Year 4	£9.00
Year 5	£19.37
Year 6	£8.06
Total	£95.05

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,

Yesterday, you should have received your child's end of year school report giving details of their performance this academic year. It takes the teachers a long time to write all of these so I hope you find them useful. Please take the time to read them and then please cut off and return the slip attached to give some feedback, it is always greatly appreciated. I only send out one copy per family, additional copies are available on request.



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

I am really looking forward to tonight's Summer fair, please pray for good weather so that we can enjoy ourselves outside and help raise money for the school. I know a lot of hard work has gone on behind the scenes so I hope to see you all here tonight to help and support. The Summer Fair will start at 5.30 pm and finish around 7.30 pm with the disco in the Parish Hall to follow until late.

I would like to say well done and thank you to Year 4 for their brilliant performance in their guitar assembly this week. It is great to see how much they've learnt and see them progress onto harder tunes and techniques. I say a particular thank you to their teacher Mr James who is doing a great job. A special mention goes to Liam and Michalea in Year 5 for their super effort and beautiful performance too. They have been learning for 2 years now and I hope they have inspired the Year 4 children to carry on next year too. Keep up the good work everyone and keep practising!

Please can I remind all parents again that the use of the driveway to drop off and collect children is not permitted unless you have a blue badge for the disabled parking spaces. More and more people are using it, especially those using Leading Light Club. Please stop doing this, it is causing more trouble than it is worth.

6 days to go! God Bless.

NEWS

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

- **School Shoes**—Can I please remind everyone that **all** of our children are still expected to follow our School Uniform Policy and wear smart black shoes to school. Thank you to all of those children who do! Keep it up!
- **Sports Afternoon**—Thank you to everyone who responded to my letter. Our Sports Afternoon where the children compete against each other in races and challenges will be on **Wednesday 19th July**. There will be a Mum's, Dad's and toddlers race as always, it will be a fun afternoon for all. Infants will be at Spring Lane from 1.15 until 2.00 pm and Juniors will be from 2.00 until 3.15 pm. Hope to see you there! Date to be confirmed.
- **Affordable School Uniform**—School uniform will be on sale in the school hall on **Wednesday 19th July** from **3.15 pm** to order ready for the new term in September. Telephone - 07392370662 or asu2012@hotmail.co.uk
- **End of Year Mass**—On Thursday 20th July, Year 4 will lead our last whole school Mass of the year. This is always such a lovely Mass as the Year 2 children will receive their certificates for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Year 3 children will be receiving their certificates and Bibles for their Sacrament of the Eucharist. All Year 2 & 3 parents are invited to share in the Mass, as are all of our parents and families. I will see you there.
- **Reception Graduation Ceremony**—As Reception class reach the end of the first year and their time in the Early Years Foundation Stage, we always like to mark the event by holding a special graduation ceremony for children and parents as they move into Key Stage 1. This will be on Thursday 20th July 2017 at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall. All family are welcome to attend.
- **Year 6 Leavers Mass**—On Sunday 23rd July at 10.30 am, our Year 6 pupils will be leading their last school Sunday Mass but it will be extra special as they receive their certificates for their Sacrament of Confirmation and a commemorative cross (Paid for by the SPFA). I look forward to seeing all of the parents and families there.
- **Year 6 Leavers Production**—On Tuesday 18th July at 6.30 pm in the school hall, Year 6 will be performing their leavers production for their parents and families. This is always such a great evening. They have been practising hard and the singing sounds amazing so I can't wait to see it! See you there.
- **The Big Sleuth**—Our 'Spirit of Light' Bear is on display at Millennium Point!
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons next drop in session between 9.30 to 10.00 am will be Friday 21st July. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Year 6 End of School Activities**—As we move toward the end of the year there are some special events planned for Year 6 and their families so here are some dates for your diary...
 - * Tuesday 18th July - End of Year Production @ 6.30 pm
 - * Sunday 23rd July - Leavers Mass @ 10.30 am

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Y4 Class Trip to Conkers
Friday 14th July 2017

SEN Coffee Morning
Friday 14th July 2017 @ 9.30 am

Summer Fair
Friday 14th July 2017 @ 5.30 pm

Y6 End of Year Production
Tuesday 18th July 2017 @ 6.30 pm

Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 19th July 2017
Infants 1.15 - 2.00 pm
Juniors 2.00 - 3.15 pm

School Uniform Ordering Service
Wednesday 19th July @ 3.15 pm

Reception Graduation Ceremony
Thursday 20th July 2017 @ 2.00 pm

Y6 Leavers Mass
Sunday 23rd July 2017 @ 10.30 am

Last day for pupils - Monday 24th July

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)
- Y3 & 4 Football Club
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Tuesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Rec Multi-Skills
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Wednesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Y6 Multi-Skills
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Thursday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Y1 Multi-Skills
- Y5 & 6 Football Club

Friday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Irish Dancing Club (3.15 - 4.30 pm)
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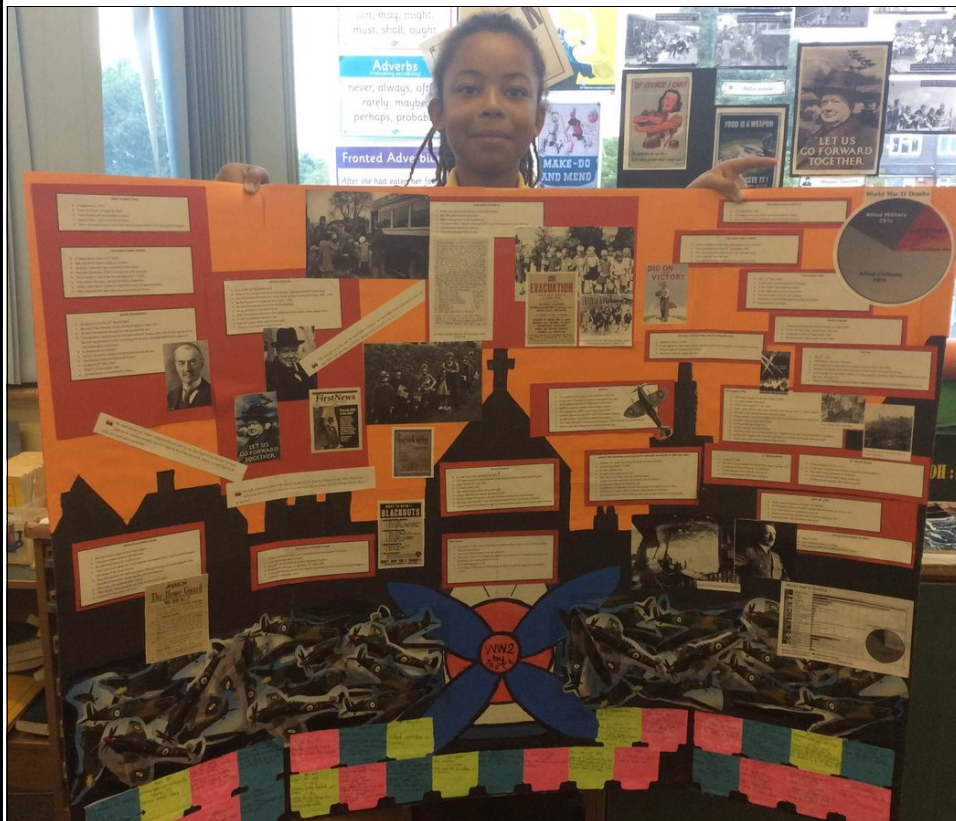
SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 20th July 2017 @ 9.15 am
Whole School Children & Families
End of Year Celebration - 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— Stunning project work!!!



I would like to say a massive well done to Tao in Year 6 who has created this amazing piece of work for his homework project on World War II.

He has spent hours researching and putting together this incredible piece of work. It has really captured his interest and it is clear for all to see how much effort has gone into this work. Amazing Tao!!!

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

Punctuality – School starts at 8.55 am and closes at 3.15 pm each day.

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 and is now £2.25 per day (£11.25 per week).* Please 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

Thought for our Diocesan Virtues Summer 2 - Faith-Filled & Hopeful

Our pupils are taught that it is important to have **faith** in your own emotions and judgements and once we have faith we have **hope** in ourselves and those around us with decisions which will shape our future.
We live and learn in the light of Christ.

Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: Did you know scientists have invented a device that helps you look through a solid brick wall?

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

Last weeks answer was:
... Mary of course...

Prayer of the Week!!!

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O most Holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you and with sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and obedient to your will. Grant that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health in mind and body and send your blessing on all that I do.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

SS Peter & Paul Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 5.15 pm.

Sunday @ 9 am & 10.30 am.

Parish Charity Golf Day

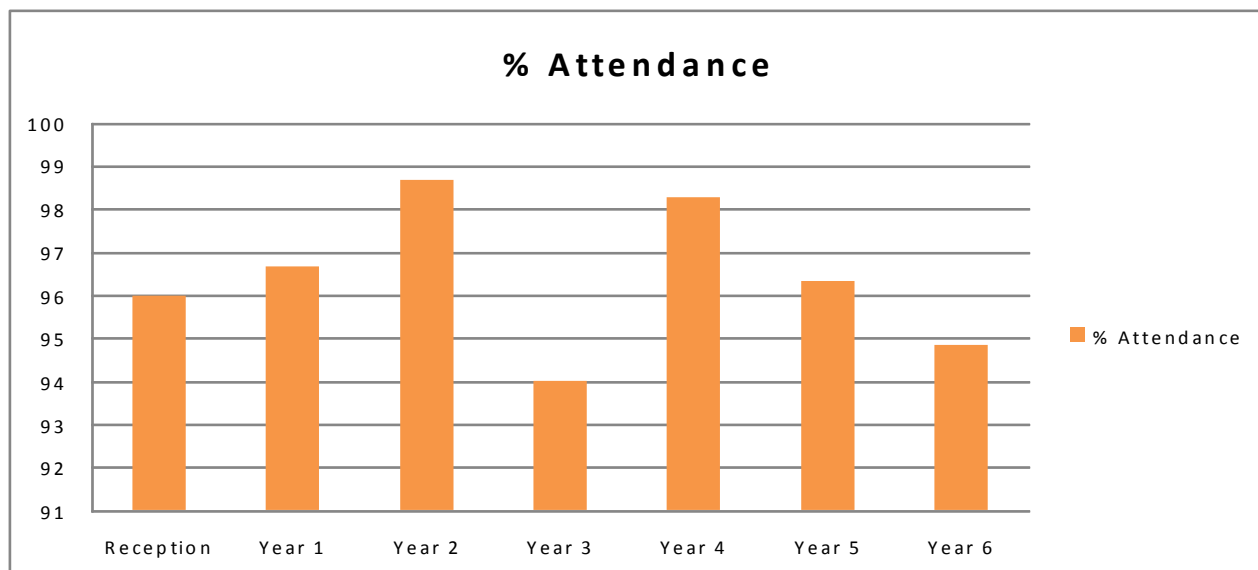
Thursday 20th July (£40.00 per person)

Summer Buffet & Barbeque

Sunday 23rd July @ 11.30 am (after 10.30 am Mass)

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 3rd July to 7th July is 96.24%



Congratulations to Class 2 well done for their excellent attendance!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

Marcell Potocki, Poppy Steel, Carter Hemming, Michele Nortey, Mia Floyd, Kyras Campbell,



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- Reception — Felicity Franklin
- Year 1 — Julian Kossecki
- Year 2 — Bradley Wiggins & Harry Roberts
- Year 3 — Amelia Recci & Alex Swithenbank-Wilson
- Year 4 — Whole Class for a wonderful trip to Conkers
- Year 5 — Marcell Potocki
- Year 6 — Tao Thompson



House Points

Saint Peter	106
Saint Paul	122
Our Lady	103
Saint Joseph	100



**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/

Spanish Word of the Week

"¿Cuánto es?"

means... How much is it?



Leading Light Club

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**Thank you for taking time
to read our Newsletter.**



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Friday 7th July 2017

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of the Governing Body's decision, following the consultation period, on the proposed changes to the school day timings for September 2017.

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who responded to the consultation letter in writing, giving your viewpoint and providing the valuable feedback that I needed to be as fully informed as possible so that I could give an accurate account to governors to help in the decision making process. Also, I would like to thank the parents who attended the open meeting to discuss the proposal, providing your views on the positive and negative aspects of the proposal and asking many important questions to give me 'food for thought' from a parents perspective. I found both the written responses and the meeting very important in this process, so thank you.

We have 175 families in our school and 210 children. Out of those 175 families, I had 62 responses in total. Out of those 62 responses, 48 were 'in favour' of the proposal or 'happy either way' and only 14 responses were 'against' the proposal.

The main issues raised and points that people were concerned about were:

- Those children who are slow eaters would be rushed to eat their lunch if dinner time was reduced by 5 minutes.
- Parents having to change their working hours to enable them to pick their child up at 2 pm on a Friday.
- Worries over childcare provision and additional costs.
- Curriculum coverage; are the children going to miss out on anything?
- A drop in attainment and academic standards as there is a slight reduction in the Junior timings.
- Changing the 'Celebration Assembly' time to the afternoon will mean some parents cannot attend.
- The quality of provision for the teaching of Music & PE if the expertise we currently pay for is removed.

All of the above points were discussed, at length, by the Governing Body of the school in a meeting this week. I am confident that all of these points raised can be addressed in a way that will please those with these concerns. I can assure parents there will be no drop in standards or quality of provision, no child will be rushed at lunch, the 'Celebration Assembly' may be changed but parents will be given plenty of notice to attend, no parent should have to change their working hours and any changes to childcare provision and costs will be minimal.

Following the discussion it has been decided that we will change the timings of the school day meaning that school will close at 2 pm on Friday, starting in September 2017.

I understand that this was not what everyone wanted and that some of you will be concerned but taking everything into consideration it was felt that this would be the best outcome for the school and for the majority of our parents.

If there are any parents with extenuating circumstances who cannot collect their child at 2 pm on a Friday, please contact me confidentially, to arrange a time to meet with me, to see if I can help in any way. Thanks again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr N. Porter
Head Teacher

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