

★ 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 4th October 2019



Autumn 1 - Week 05

This week we pray for these special people!



Year 3 Class

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

What a busy week it has been! It seems to have flown by since Monday when we had our Teacher Training Day to improve the school curriculum experience for our children. The staff team have all worked hard at planning the wider curriculum opportunities so that our children can enjoy learning in all subject areas as part of a broad and balanced curriculum. We only want the best for all of our children.



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

The Year 4 Class Mass for KS2 this week was lovely. Well done to all those who participated in the readings, offertory and singing. Thank you Miss Murphy and Mrs Panjanaden for preparing the children so well.

A reminder to all parents that the Christmas Card designs and orders need to be completed and handed into school by Tuesday 15th October @ 3.30 pm. No orders will be accepted after this time so please don't miss out, get your order in on time with payment. The children have worked really hard and the finished designs will make lovely cards for friends and family at Christmas so get ordering!

Thank you to all of those who have responded to our request of help in school, it is very much appreciated. There is still room for others so if you can spare some time, please contact the school to find out more and we'll see what we can organise. Thank you.

The SPFA Welcome Disco is next Friday 11th October in the Parish Hall, make sure you get your tickets this week from the SPFA to avoid disappointment. It is always a great night where we welcome our new families to the school social community and the new families get a chance to meet properly and get to know one another.

God Bless...

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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 05

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

NEWS

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

- **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.
- **Classroom Volunteer Initiative Continues**—Thank you to those fantastic people who have volunteered to help in school, it is very much appreciated and you're already doing a great job for our children. There's still room for more, so if you're interested please contact school for more information.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next SEN drop in session on Friday 4th October @ 9.30 to 10.00 am. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Swimming 2019** - There is no swimming next week. The children that need additional swimming lessons will be grouped and then informed next week for their lessons which will start on Friday 18th October.
- **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.
- **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.
- **NO DOGS**—Please can I remind all parents not to bring dogs onto school site, we have a number of children (and staff) who are not comfortable around dogs and a few children with allergies that can be affected by pets so please do not bring dogs when you're dropping off and picking up. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.
- **Harvest Festival Mass and Food Donations**—Our annual Harvest Festival Mass will be on Thursday 17th October @ 9.15 am. As always, we are looking for donations of non-perishable foods that can be given to the Fireside Centre who we always support at this time. You can send in your donations at anytime now and we will create a display in the entrance and Church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.
- **School Memorial Mass for Mrs Dilks**—In loving memory of Mrs Dilks, the school community will celebrate her life with us on Thursday 24th October at 9.15 am in Church. Everyone is invited.
- **SPFA Spare Change Coin Collection Competition**—The SPFA are opening a spare change coin collection competition for all of the classes, starting on Tuesday 1st October. Any loose change you have rattling around in your pockets will be greatly received. Lets see who fills their jar first and who can get the biggest total...??? Thanks for your support!

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Key Stage 1 Mass - Year 3
Thursday 10th October @ 9.15 am

Whole School Travelling Panto
Friday 11th October @ 9.30 am

SPFA Reception Welcome Disco
Friday 11th October @ 6.00 pm

SPFA Christmas Card Order Deadline
Tuesday 15th October @ 3.30 pm

School Closed - Mrs Dilks Funeral
Wednesday 16th October

Whole School Mass for Harvest - Y6
Thursday 17th October @ 9.15 am

Year 4 Viking Day in school
Tuesday 22nd October 2019

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

Memorial Mass for Mrs Dilks
Thursday 24th October @ 9.15 am

SPFA Non-Uniform Day for £1.00
Friday 25th October 2019

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)

- Y5 & 6 Girls Football
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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 10th October 2019 @ 9.15 am
Key Stage 1 Children & Families - Led by Year 3



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... Y5 Tudor Farm Trip



Super proud of our Year 5 children who had a fantastic trip to Tudor Farm this week. They all participated brilliantly and their behaviour throughout the entire day was 'Outstanding'!!!

Well done and thank you to my staff; Mrs Wright, Miss Hanrahan and Miss Gilliver for organising and taking the children. A great day was had by all.

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.ssptprpl.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: Why did the school boy eat his homework?

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

Last weeks answer was:
... so he could see Pluto ...

Prayer of the Week!!!

Prayer for the recently departed

In memory of Mrs Dilks and Larry Byrne

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

Parish Weekend Masses

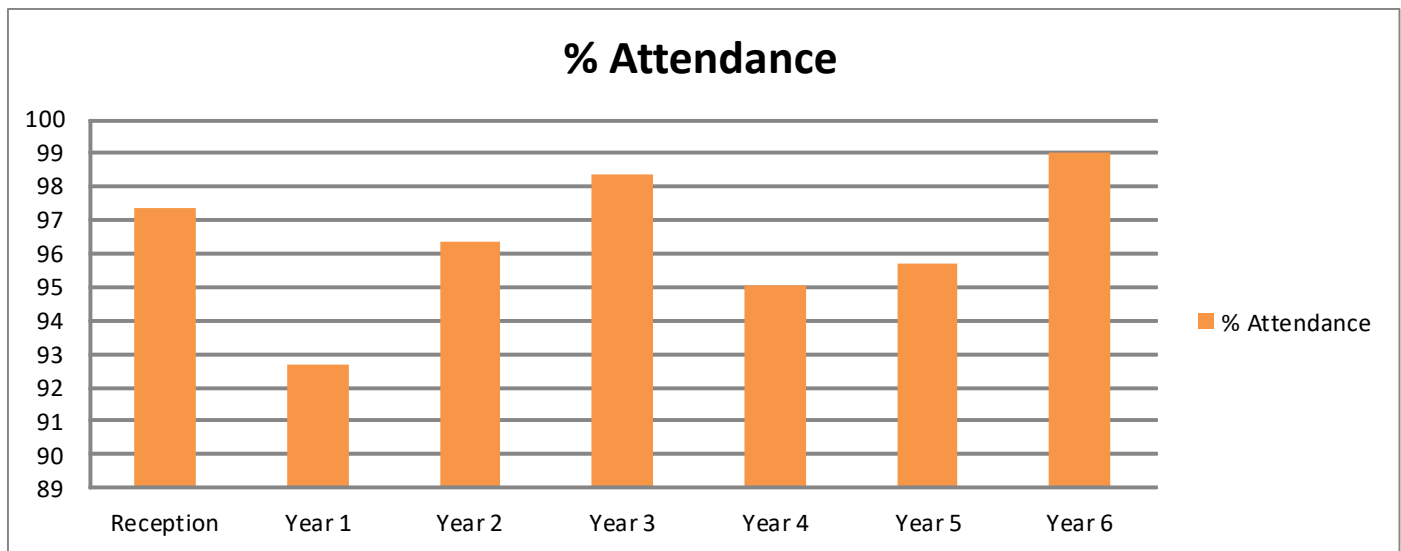
Saturday Evening @ 5pm
Sunday Morning @ 9.30 am

Parish Quiz Night

Friday 8th November
Parish Hall @ 7.00 pm

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 23rd September - 27th September 2019 = 96.36%



Congratulations to Year 6. Well done for their 99% attendance. Excellent.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-
Noah Eannetta and Brody Harris



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- Reception - Holly Doyle
- Year 1 — Emilia Mosakowska
- Year 2 — William McBride
- Year 3 — Freya Chessum
- Year 4 — Jakub Rog
- Year 5 — Whole class for excellent behaviour school trip
- Year 6 — Laurence Clifford



	<u>House Points</u>
St Peter	110
St Paul	79
Our Lady	143
St Joseph	72



**Congratulations Our Lady!!!
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)

"hasta pronto"

means... see you soon.



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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 EVENTS

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
11th Welcome Disco 6pm - Late Pumpkin Competition 18th Personalised Christmas Cards - Final Date to return orders Winter Uniform Orders 25th Non-Uniform Day - £1	TBC SPFA AGM Meeting School Photos 15th Non-Uniform Day - Chocolates 28th Non-Uniform Day - Bottles Cake Competition 30th Christmas Fayre	17th KS2 Carol Concert 18th KS1 Christmas Disco/Movie - 3.30pm - 4.45pm 19th KS2 Christmas Disco - 3.30pm - 5.15pm 20th Christmas Jumper Day - FREE	Watch this space...

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 Bonus Ball Winner
£178.00

Friday 27th September 2019
Ball 81 - Mr Stuart Reid
Well done to you!!!



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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 11th 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.

19

5

30

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SPFA Bonus Ball Draw Dates 2019

January Friday 25th DRAW COMPLETE (4)	February Friday 22nd DRAW COMPLETE Recorded & Posted (4)	March Friday 29th DRAW COMPLETE (5)	April Friday 26th DRAW COMPLETE Recorded & Posted (4)
May Friday 31st DRAW COMPLETE Recorded & Posted (4)	June Friday 28th DRAW COMPLETE (5)	July Friday 26th DRAW COMPLETE Recorded & Posted (4)	August Friday 30th DRAW COMPLETE Recorded & Posted (5)
September Friday 27th DRAW COMPLETE (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.



Mrs. Dilks Funeral Arrangements Wednesday 16th October 2019

Dear Parents,

Following much deliberation, it is with great sadness that I inform you all of the decision to close the school on Wednesday 16th October 2019 to ensure that all staff and friends of Mrs. Dilks have the opportunity to attend the funeral ceremony, paying their last respects, mourning the loss of a much loved person and member of school staff. This is not a decision that has been taken lightly as I know that this will have child care implications for many of you and I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause you. I made this recommendation to the Governors of the school and they have agreed that closing the school is the right thing to do at this time.

Mrs. Dilks has been a long standing member of staff, working at SS Peter & Paul for 25 years, starting as an integration assistant (September 1994) and then becoming a full time Teaching Assistant in September 1999. She has worked alongside many colleagues over these years, a lot of whom are still working at the school, so I feel it is only right that every one of these friends and colleagues gets the chance to say goodbye properly. In order for this to happen, I need to close the school. I do hope you understand this decision.

The funeral is for family, close friends and colleagues only and they have requested that no flowers be sent at this time.

As a school community, we will be having a memorial Mass dedicated to Mrs. Dilks on Thursday 24th October 2019 at 9.15 am. This will be a whole school Mass, all parents are invited and the Dilks family will also be invited to attend. I know that some people have asked about a collection for flowers or a donation to charity, at this time the family have expressed a wish for no flowers and are going to let me know of any appropriate charity which we can make a donation towards in Mrs. Dilks' memory. As a school, we will have other ideas of ways in which we can remember this lovely lady and I will provide more details of these closer to the time.

I would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of support at this difficult time and also thank everyone for the lovely messages of condolence in the book which we will pass onto the family in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. N. Porter

