

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School



We live and learn in the light of Christ!

Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 26th October 2018

Autumn 1 - Week 08

This week we pray for these special people! - Reception



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BIRMINGHAM TERM DATES

| Term | Autumn 2018 | Spring 2019 | Summer 2018 |
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| New Term Begins | Monday 3rd Sept | Monday 7th January | Monday 29th April |
| 1st Half-Term Ends | Friday 26th October | Friday 15th February | Friday 24th May |
| 2nd Half-Term Begins | Monday 5th Nov | Monday 25th February | Monday 3rd June |
| Term Ends | Friday 21st Dec | Friday 12th April | Friday 19th July |

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(now including standing orders)

Week 08

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| Reception | N/A |
| Year 1 | £7.00 |
| Year 2 | £11.62 |
| Year 3 | £17.50 |
| Year 4 | £30.75 |
| Year 5 | £6.00 |
| Year 6 | £3.00 |
| Total | £75.87 |

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):



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Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Well, that was a very busy week and a long, yet successful, half-term with lots of achievements to celebrate as our school moves forward. Thank you to everyone for attending parents evening this week. It proves that the ParentMail is working as the vast majority of you were able to book your appointment time without any problems. Both evenings were really well attended. My apologies to Year 6 Parents, Mrs Seager couldn't do the second evening due to a family bereavement.

We had a successful Open Afternoon for prospective parents on Tuesday afternoon. It was great to see so many families wanting to come and look around our school to help them decide if they will send their child to our school.

On Thursday we had a lovely Key Stage 1 Mass led by Year 3, the children read some very difficult readings beautifully and the singing was outstanding! So many people, including Fr. Joe, commented on how well the children sang, it was a pleasure to experience. Well done Mrs Pawley and everyone who helped prepare the Mass.

Just to let you all know, we completed a successful Fire Drill this week. All of the staff and children evacuated the school safely in under two minutes and responded appropriately which was very pleasing. Well done to my staff for their organisation.

Finally, the Governing Body met this week following the close of the Academy Consultation period to assess the response from stakeholders and make a final decision as to whether or not we should proceed to convert to an Academy. I will send a letter out after half-term with more detail but to cut a long story short, the decision was made to convert to Academy status and join the St. John Paul II MAC on 1st December 2018. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this process.

Have a good half-term. Remember Winter Uniform!!!



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

NEWS

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

- **Secondary Admissions—Year 6 parents** Please remember to submit your application to Birmingham City Council Secondary Admissions team on <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions> by midnight on 31st October 2018 in order for you to receive a school offer on 1st March 2019. Applications received after 31st October will be considered as late.
- **Children's School Uniform**—Please can I remind all parents that every item of school uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name. The number of lost items is growing already! Can I also remind parents that your child's uniform is their own responsibility, not my staffs responsibility.
- **Swimming**—Y4 will need their kit for the next week on Thursday.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next SEN drop in session on Thursday 15th November between 9.30 to 10.00 am. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Admissions for Reception Class September 2019** — Please be aware the e-admissions online application entry opened up on 3rd September on the Birmingham City Council website. There is **NO** paper application available for 2019, all applications **MUST** be submitted via the website. If parents do not have access to a computer or tablet then you can either visit your local library to use a computer there, or you may pop into school where we will arrange for a computer here to be available.
- **Parent Workshops**—The time when Parents get to come into school and work alongside their child to help and support their education. Please make every effort to attend. See the dates below:
 - ⇒ Reception - Wednesday 14th November @ 9.00 am - Phonics
 - ⇒ Year 3 - Tuesday 20th November @ 9.00 am - Maths
 - ⇒ Year 1 - Thursday 22nd November @ 9.00 am - Phonics
 - ⇒ Year 4 - Wednesday 28th November @ 9.00 am - Maths
 - ⇒ Year 5 - Tuesday 4th December @ 9.00 am - English
 - ⇒ Year 2 - Thursday 6th December @ 9.00 am - Maths
 - ⇒ Year 6 - Wednesday 12th December @ 9.00 am - Maths
- **Goodbye Alfie & Family**—Today is a sad day for our school community as we say goodbye to Alfie and the rest of his family as they leave SS Peter & Paul to embark on a new adventure in Devon. We are all very sad to see Alfie go but we wish them every success in the future. They have been great supporters and friends to our school from the start and I want them to know that they are always welcome here if they're back visiting. Goodbye and good luck from all of the staff, parents and pupils here at SS Peter & Paul. You will be missed.



SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 8th November 2018 @ 9.15 am
Key Stage 2 Children & Families - Led by Year 5



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.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

School Closes for Half-Term Break
Friday 26th October @ 2.00 pm

School Open for Autumn Term 2
Monday 5th November @ 8.50 am

SPFA Meeting – The Digby Pub
Tuesday 6th November @ 6.30 pm

Y5 - KS2 School Mass
Thursday 8th November @ 9.15 am

School Photographs
Monday 12th November 2018

Reception Parent Workshop – Phonics
Wednesday 14th November @ 9.00 am

Y2 - KS1 School Mass
Thursday 15th November @ 9.15 am

SPFA Non-Uniform Day—Chocolate
Friday 16th November 2018

Year 3 Parent Workshop—Maths
Tuesday 20th November @ 9.00 am

Year 1 Parents Workshop—Phonics
Thursday 22nd November @ 9.00 am

Y4 - KS2 School Mass
Thursday 22nd November @ 9.15 am

TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 3rd September 2018
- Tuesday 4th September 2018
- Monday 7th January 2019
- Monday 29th April 2019
- One To Be Confirmed

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)
- Y5&6 Football Club
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Tuesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)
- KS2 Monster Craft Club
- Y5&6 Multi-Skills

Wednesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)
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Thursday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)
- KS1 Monster Craft Club
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Friday (2.00 - 3.00 pm)
- Y3&4 Football Club
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This week in school... Y5 Geography Compass & Map Work



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 8.50 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 – This is **£2.30 per day (£11.50 per week).** 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 - Compassionate & Loving

Our pupils are taught that it is important to be **compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially those less fortunate; and **loving** to all of our neighbours by their just actions and forgiving words.
We live and learn in the light of Christ.

Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: Why did the teddy bear say no to eating a dessert?

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

Last weeks answer was:
...because they hog the ball...

Prayer of the Week!!!

A Prayer for St. John Paul II

Dear Lord, we thank you for having given to the Church Pope John Paul II, and for having made him shine with your fatherly tenderness, the glory of the Cross of Christ and the splendour of the Spirit of love.

He, trusting completely in your infinite mercy and in the maternal intercession of Mary, has shown himself in the likeness of Jesus the Good Shepherd and has pointed out to us holiness as the path to reach eternal communion with You.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

Sue Flynn's Ladies Night

Friday 16th November @ 7.00 - 11.00 pm

Tickets £5.00 each

Contact Sue 07803405248 for details

School & Parish Christmas Fair

Saturday 1st December @ 11.00 - 2.00 pm

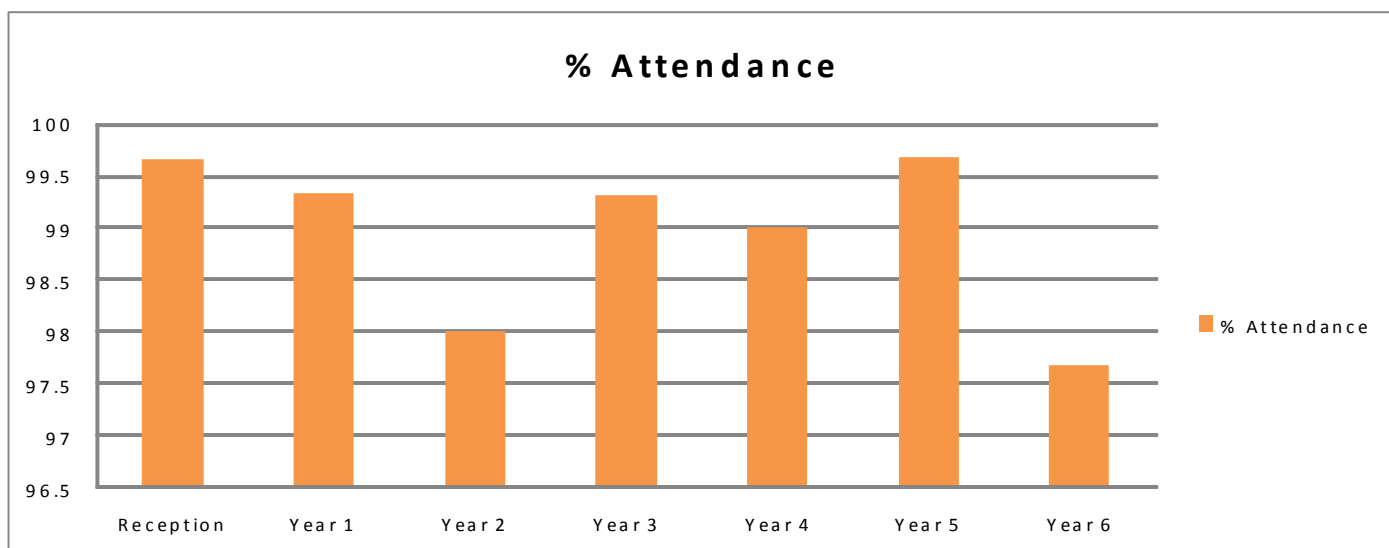
Parish Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 5.00 pm & Sunday @ 9.30 am

(All school Sunday Masses will be at 9.30 am)

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 September 15th October to 19th October 2018 = 98.94 %



Congratulations to Reception Class well done for their excellent attendance.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

Emilia Mosakowska, Louis Player, Eamonn McLaughlin, Caitlin Dockery, Josephine James, Mathew Biju, Keon Geroni, Jimmy Moore, Eszter Borsos.



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- **Reception — Brody Harris**
- **Year 1 — Adam Studzik**
- **Year 2 — Ciaran Lawrence**
- **Year 3 — Dominic Pluta**
- **Year 4 — Isabella Pulisciano**
- **Year 5 — Eloise Barrett**
- **Year 6 — Akeelah Jackson**



House Points

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| Saint Peter | 177 |
| Saint Paul | 223 |
| Our Lady | 219 |
| Saint Joseph | 208 |



**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

(Palabra de la semana)

"El dormitorio"

means... the bedroom.



Leading Light Club

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**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 SCHOOL UNIFORM

See the attached order form for any new uniform, especially the 'Winter Uniform' for after half-term.

Get your order in asap to avoid disappointment.

Order forms are available from the Entrance Hall or SPFA Page
www.pta-events.co.uk/spfa

**SPFA Bonus Ball Winner
£130.00
Friday 26th October 2018
Ball 49 - Mrs Kerry Hemming
Well done to you!!!**