

# ★ 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 6th September 2019



Autumn 1 - Week 01

This week we pray for these special people!



Miss Murphy  
Year 4



Miss Harris  
Year 3



Miss Turner  
Year 2

Our new members of teaching staff.

## Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Welcome back everyone!!! I hope you have all had a happy and restful summer break and are returning to school all refreshed and ready for an exciting new year ahead.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome our new children Georgia Jones, Kaicey Thomas, Kiesha Evans, Joanna Adjei, Alarnae Beckford and all of our new Reception Class; we are now back up to full numbers which is great! I know that you will all help to welcome them and their families into the school community and make them feel at home straight away. The same applies to my new members of staff as we welcome Miss Turner to Year 2, Miss Harris to Year 3 and Miss Murphy to Year 4. I am delighted to have them on my staff team and know they will work hard to provide the best education possible for your children.

A big thank you to Year 6 for the lovely first Mass of the year yesterday. The children read and sang really well, I especially liked the thoughtful bidding prayers. My thanks go to Mrs Seager, Mrs Oakley and Miss Gilliver for preparing the children so well.

Please can I ask everyone to keep Mrs Dilks in your prayers as she continues to be absent from school through illness. We pray for her speedy recovery and a swift return to work. I know she is missing the children terribly and we're all missing her too.

My thought for this academic year is '**PRAISE THE EFFORT, NOT THE ABILITY!**' As long as you genuinely try your best and give everything that you can then nobody can ask any more of you regardless of your ability and the outcome. I'd rather find a task challenging and have to really try hard to achieve success rather than succeed easily without needing to try, where's the fun or sense of achievement in that... Just a thought!

**God Bless...**



Neil Porter –  
Head Teacher

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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 01

## School Fund will continue...

### Direct Debit

My mistake! If you pay school fund via direct debit we have been informed by the Multi Academy that we can continue to keep our School Fund account open for another year. Sorry for any confusion caused please continue paying as usual.

## 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.**

- **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, starting with Y6 next week on Friday 13th, followed by Y5 on Friday 20th, Y4 on Friday 27th and Y3 on Friday 4th October. The coach leaves school at 8.45 am 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.
- **Parents Information Meetings in September 2019**—You get the chance to meet your child's new teacher. Please make every effort to attend:  
 ⇒ Year 3 - Tuesday 10th September @ 3.20 pm - Miss Harris  
 ⇒ Year 2 - Wednesday 11th September @ 3.20pm - Miss Turner & Mrs Pawley  
 ⇒ Year 1 - Thursday 12th September @ 3.20 pm - Mrs Basra  
 ⇒ Reception - Friday 13th September @ 2.00 pm - Miss Stansbie
- **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.
- **Test**—*If you have read this newsletter can you text 'YES' to 07885 235 496*

## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

### Parents Meetings in Autumn Term

Y3—Tuesday 10th Sept @ 3.20 pm  
 Y2—Wednesday 11th Sept @ 3.20 pm  
 Y1—Thursday 12th Sept @ 3.20 pm  
 Rec—Friday 13th Sept @ 2.00 pm

New Reception Full Class Day 1  
 Monday 9th September 2019

Guitar Tuition - Music Service (Y4,5,6)  
 Thursday 12th September @ 1.00 pm

Swimming - @ 8.45 am  
 Friday 13th September - Year 6  
 Friday 20th September - Year 5  
 Friday 27th September - Year 4  
 Friday 4th October - Year 3

Teacher Training Day—School Closed  
 Monday 30th September 2019

Year 5 Class Trip - Tudor Farm  
 Tuesday 1st October 2019

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  
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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)  
 - Y3 & 4 Football Club  
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### SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 12th September 2019 @ 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.



### This week in school... Year 6 Geography 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.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: We hurt without moving. We bear the truth and the lies. We are not to be judged by our size. What are we?**

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

**Last weeks answer was:**  
... a catcher and an umpire as he was playing baseball ...

### Prayer of the Week!!!

#### **Prayer for the Start of the School Year**

Lord Jesus, we ask for your help as we begin this new school year. Allow us to experience your presence in the many blessings you put before us.

Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open our heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with our studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience your presence in our new children, new colleagues and new friends.

Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year!

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

### Parish Events

#### Parish Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening @ 5pm

Sunday Morning @ 9.30 am

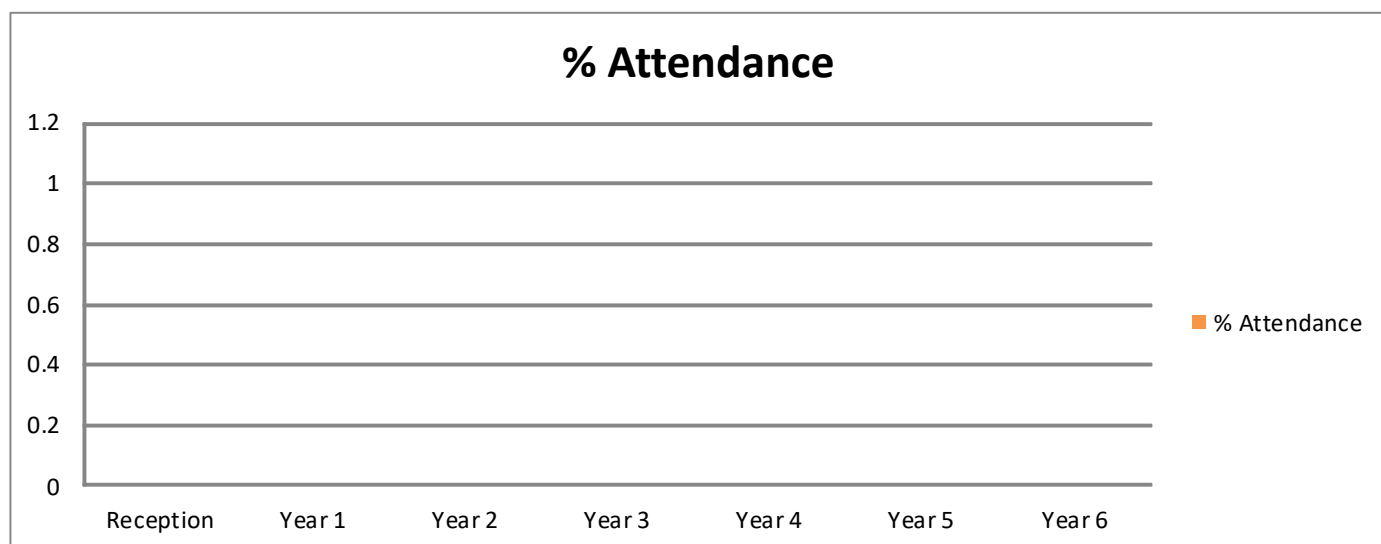
#### Parish Cultural Evening

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 2019 = %



**Congratulations to \_\_\_\_\_. Well done for their \_\_\_\_% attendance. Excellent.**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

**George Hillier, Clara Moy, Szymon Bylica, Henry Carter, Olaf Kosalka**



### 'STAR OF THE WEEK'

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

- Reception - Whole Class
- Year 1 — Whole Class
- Year 2 — Whole Class
- Year 3 — Whole Class
- Year 4 — Whole Class
- Year 5 — Whole Class
- Year 6 — Whole Class.



#### House Points

St Peter	0
St Paul	0
Our Lady	0
St Joseph	0



**Congratulations!!!  
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

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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!!!

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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.