

# ★ 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 27th September 2019



**Autumn 1 - Week 04**

This week we pray for these special people!



Year 2 Class

## Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Another sad week at SS Peter & Paul as we say goodbye to Charlie & Phoebe Edwards who are moving out of the area and starting a new school in Solihull. We wish them and their family every success in the future. We will miss them!

We are also sad because we lost a much loved and valued member of our school community and family last week, Mr Larry Byrne, also known as 'Grandad Clifford' who has been a massive support and friend to the school for many years.

He has always been a generous and lovely man who had a warm smile as he dropped his grandchildren at school every day. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Rest in Peace lovely Larry!

I now have details of Mrs Dilks funeral arrangements, see letter attached for more details. It will take place on Wednesday 16th October and I will be closing the school on that day so that all of the staff can attend. I hope you understand this decision.

It has been brought to my attention that a number of parents are dropping children on Kingsbury Road or at the top of the drive for them to walk to school unsupervised. This is not acceptable, we almost had a serious incident this week involving a car and one of our pupils. Please make sure you park safely and escort your child into school so that they are supervised at all times until they are handed over to a member of school staff on the infant gate or drive. It is for your child's safety!!!

Get your tickets for the SPFA Disco on Friday 11th October!!! Please contact Kristina or any member of the SPFA team for tickets. It is always an amazing night so please get involved, especially our new parents. It will be great to see you all there.

Reminder... Teacher Training Day on Monday 30th September, school is closed!

**God Bless...**



**Neil Porter –  
Head Teacher**

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## ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2019	Spring 2020	Summer 2020
<b>New Term Begins</b>	Monday 2nd Sept	Monday 6th January	Monday 27th April
<b>1st Half-Term Ends</b>	Friday 25th October	Friday 14th February	Friday 22nd May
<b>2nd Half-Term Begins</b>	Monday 4th Nov	Monday 24th February	Monday 1st June
<b>Term Ends</b>	Friday 20th Dec	Thursday 9th April	Friday 17th July

## SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(now including standing orders)

**Week 04**

## 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](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; Y3 on Friday 4th October. The coach leaves school at 8.45am so your child will need to be in school early 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.
- **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.
- **James Staunton Memorial Fundraiser**—See Page 9 of this newsletter.
- **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

Swimming - @ 8.45 am  
Friday 4th October - Year 3

Teacher Training Day—School Closed  
Monday 30th September 2019

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

Key Stage 2 Mass - Year 4  
Thursday 3rd October @ 9.15 am

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

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  
- 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 3rd October 2019 @ 9.15 am  
Key Stage 2 Children & Families - 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...** Forest School fun in the rain!!!



**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: Why did Mickey Mouse become an astronaut?**

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

**Last weeks answer was:**  
**... the Mississippi ...**

**Prayer of the Week!!!**

**Prayer for the recently departed**

In memory of Mrs Dilks

Eternal Rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May she 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

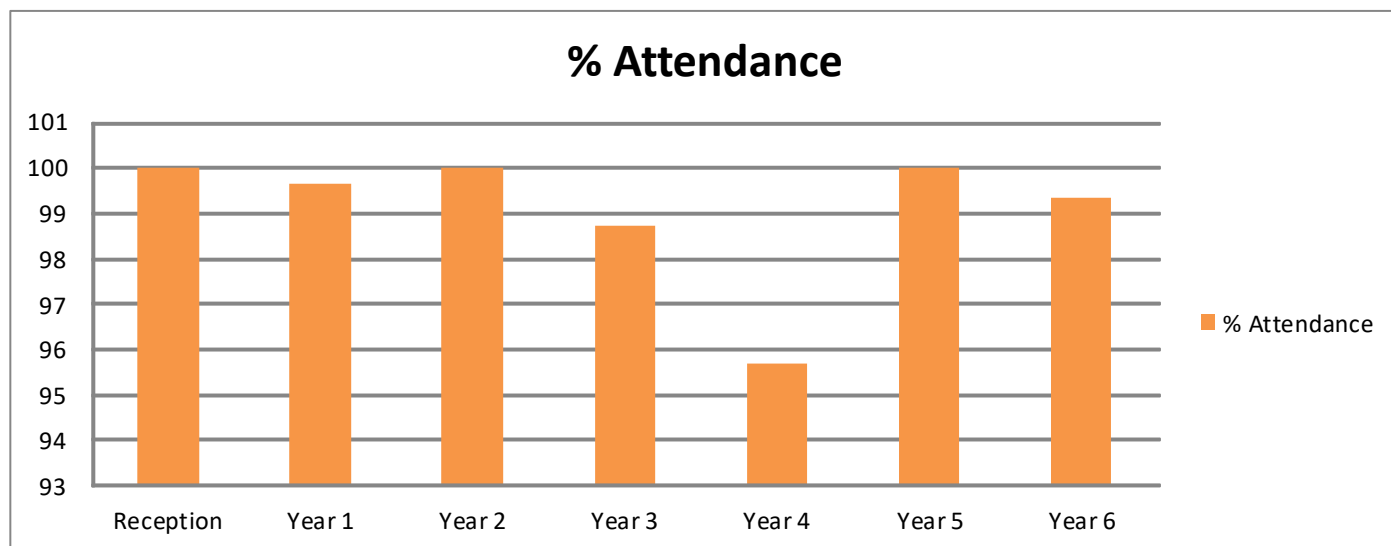
**Parish Quiz Night**

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 16th September - 20th September 2019 = 99.05%



**Congratulations to Reception and Years 2 & 5. Well done for their 100% attendance. Excellent.**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

**Filip Kawalek, David Mozes, Bradley Wiggins, Leo Harrison, A'Taya Gerroni, Kye Collins, Grace Killarney**



### 'STAR OF THE WEEK'

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

- Reception - Nancy Smith
- Year 1 — Sandra Pracz
- Year 2 — Freya Hemming
- Year 3 — Tyler Campbell
- Year 4 — Amelia Barrett
- Year 5 — Eve Newson
- Year 6 — Tayler-James Roe



	<u>House Points</u>
St Peter	137
St Paul	137
Our Lady	158
St Joseph	218



**Congratulations St. Joseph!!!  
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)

"necesito"

means... I need.



**Leading Light Club**

**Contact Details**

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



# 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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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 <del>DRAW COMPLETE</del> Recorded & Posted (4)	October Friday 25th  Recorded & Posted (4)	November Friday 29th  Recorded & Posted (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.





**JAMES  
STAUNTON**  
FOUNDATION TRUST

**PRESENTS**

*Mr & Mrs*

Miss & Miss - Mr & Mr  
any 2 will do

*Quiz night and disco*

**Saturday**

**28th September**

**Tickets £5**

The Kingstanding Inn,  
72 Warren Farm Road  
Kingstanding, B44 0QN

For Tickets and Information call 07853 383092 / 07961 022507



## FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT



**JAMES  
STAUNTON**  
FOUNDATION TRUST



**7 A-SIDE  
CHARITY TOURNAMENT  
AND FAMILY FUN DAY**

TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM FOR THE TOURNAMENTS CALL  
07853383092 / 07961022507  
VISIT THE JAMES STAUNTON FOUNDATION TRUST ON FACEBOOK



## **Mrs. Dilks Funeral Arrangements Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> 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

