

★ 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 23rd October 2020



Autumn 1 - Week 08

This week we pray for...



... our Year 1 Children

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

We have come to the end of a very busy first half term. A big thank you to all of the children, parents and staff who have worked so hard and accepted so many changes to the way we work and the way the school day looks. By working together we have been able to keep our children safe and allowed them to engage with their friends and in their learning. The children are an absolute credit to their parents and carers as they have come back with such positive attitudes towards their learning and each other. I am so proud of them all. They are all super-stars !!

Welcome back to Miss Hanrahan who returned on Wednesday from her Maternity leave. After half term she will take over from Mrs Turner in Year Five. A big thank you to Mrs Turner who has provided Year 5 with such a good start to the academic year.

A big thank you to all those parents who took part in Parents Evening this week. It was very different to the way we would normally conduct them and we keep our fingers crossed we can return to normal as soon as possible. Notes from parents evening will be sent home with your children tonight. Notes for Year Three and Six will be sent home with children on Monday 2nd November.

Reception took part in their Welcome Mass this week. They were amazing for such little people. During the service they were presented with a set of Rosary beads that had been blessed by Father Joe. Can I take this opportunity to welcome all of our new Reception parents and children into the Parish. We look forward to seeing you at Mass on either 5pm Saturday evening or 9am Sunday morning.

Finally again a massive thank you for all the donations of food that we have received. We have helped out many families within our school community and this is an initiative that we hope to keep going next term in the lead up to Christmas. A reminder that any parents that would like to access this service or who may need some support can contact the school on our confidential email address: family@ssptrpl.net

Have a great half term everyone and please keep safe and look after yourselves!



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ACADEMY TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
New Term Begins	Tuesday 1st Sept	Monday 4th January	Monday 19th April
1st Half -Term Ends	Friday 23rd October	Friday 12th February	Friday 28th May
2nd Half -Term Begins	Monday 2nd Nov	Monday 22nd February	Monday 7th June
Term Ends	Friday 18th Dec	Thursday 1st April	Wed 21st July

ACADEMY FUND DONATIONS

Academy Fund via ParentMail (School Enrichment Funding)

This is a voluntary contribution to be paid each term which goes towards buying additional equipment and resources for your children. You will receive a request via ParentMail termly...

"St. John Paul II Multi-Academy invites parents to give annually to your school fund. A donation of £10 per term is suggested but you may contribute more if you wish."

Please rest assured that any payment you make is for our school and our children only, guaranteed!
Thank you 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 ENSURE THAT YOU WEAR FACE MASKS / COVERINGS WHEN DROPPING OFF OR PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN.**
- **School Day Timing Changes for Friday's**—You will receive a ParentMail giving details of the change to pick up times on Friday afternoons after half-term. Please make sure you read this carefully so you know when to pick your child up.
- **Erdington RFC**—You may have seen in the news that we have a national award winner on our doorstep - Erdington RFC have been crowned the Rugby Club of the Year and continue to look for new players. They train every Sunday morning (after mass) 10:30-11:45. Membership for U18 is FREE!! Please email david@erfc.uk for more information or just show up on a Sunday morning and enjoy some fun activity out in the open.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons will be holding her next virtual coffee morning on Friday 6th November from 9.30 AM—10.30 AM. Please contact the school office for a zoom appointment.
- **Food Collection**—please continue to send in your donations. They can either be brought in by the children themselves or can be handed to a member of staff on the gate in the morning or evening. Thank you again for your continued support.
- **Uniform**—All children are to wear Winter Uniform from 2nd November. Please note the change to our School Uniform policy. We have removed the gender specific references to our Summer and Winter uniform. Girls are allowed to wear brown school trousers from after half term.
- **Earrings** - From January, in line with the rest of the academy, SS Peter and Paul will not allow earrings of any sort to be worn in school.
- **Flu vaccinations**—Vaccinations will take place in school on Monday the 2nd November.
- **Reception Children 2021-2022** — Unfortunately we are unable to allow parents into school at the moment so we will be posting a virtual video tour on the school website for any prospective parents. Please spread the word.
- **Secondary School Applications**—Please remember the deadline for these is 31st October. Please check with individual schools to identify if they require additional supplementary information including a Certificate of Catholic Practice
- **Remote/Home Learning Information**—Please keep an eye on ParentMail to see our plans for how the children will continue to learn if we have to close any 'pods' due to COVID-19.
- **Outside Achievements**—Please remember to email us photos of your achievements outside of school so we can celebrate them in our newsletter. Emails should be sent to enquiry@ssptrpl.net
- **Clubs**—We are hoping to restart some of our afterschool clubs after half term organised in a COVID safe way. Look out for details of these on

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Autumn Term 2 Starts for pupils
Monday 2nd November 2020

Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important!
Do you know what your child is watching or doing on the internet?

[https://
www.internetmatters.org](https://www.internetmatters.org)



Leading Light Club

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TRAINING DAYS

- Tuesday 1st September 2020
- Friday 27th November 2020
- Monday 7th June 2021
- Two more to be confirmed...

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Tuesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Wednesday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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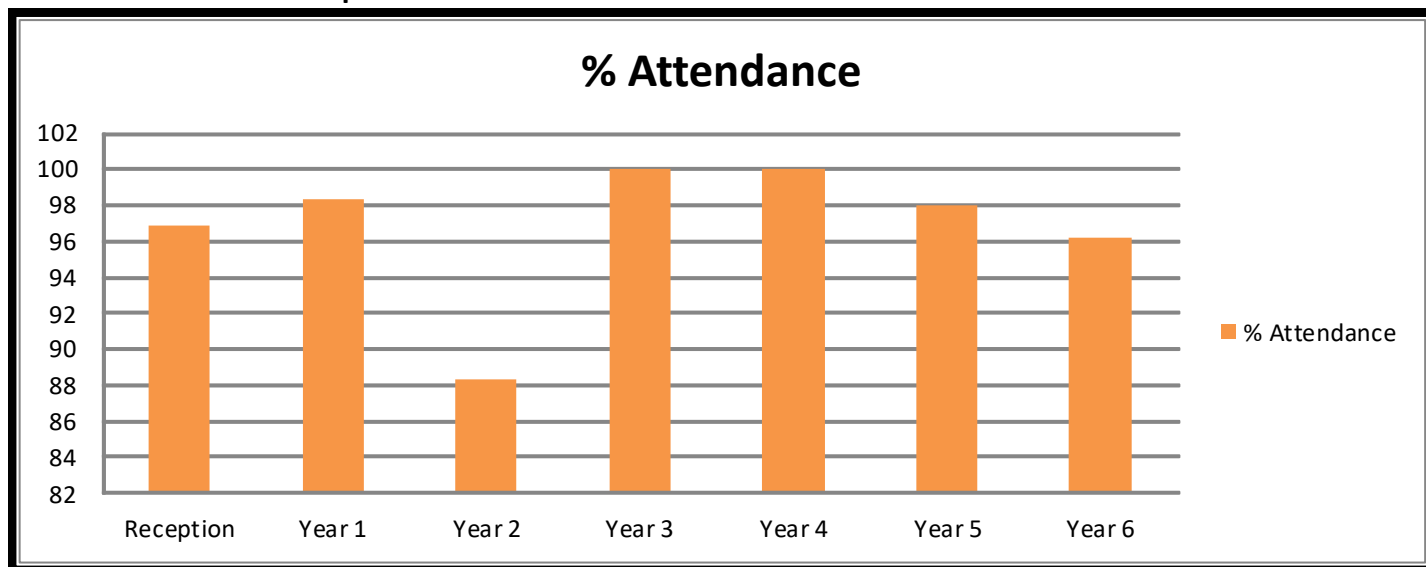
Thursday (3.20 - 4.20 pm)

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Friday (2.00 - 3.00 pm)


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Pupil Attendance 12th October – 16th October 2020 = 86.00%




Congratulations to Years 3 and 4 for their 100% attendance. Excellent!

Attendance Explanation				
100% - Excellent	99-97% - Good	96-95% - Satisfactory	94% - Below Expectation	< 94% - Unsatisfactory



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Julia Baran, Lidia Pulisciano
Bryan Mudalige and
Alice Wilson**



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:

- Reception – Adam Michalski
- Year 1 — Nancy Smith
- Year 2 — Sienna Healy
- Year 3 — Lidia Pulisciano
- Year 4 — Whole class for excellent behaviour this week
- Year 5 — Ameyamary Biju
- Year 6 — Whole class for great home learning



Reward Charts

Well done to these children for completing their reward charts:

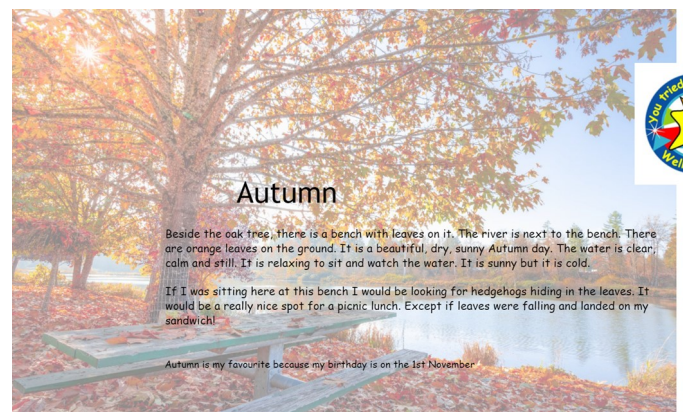
**Isabelle Thompson, Emilia Mosakowska,
Joanna Adjei, Olivia Wadowska and
Sandra Pracz**



This week in School...



Year 6 have been doing some great home learning.



Year 3 have been practising using prepositions in their writing.



Reception have been building... Fantastic!



Year 1 have been learning about significant nurses in History. Here they are making some wonderful posters.

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Our Virtues this term are:

CURIOUS... about the world and how God created it.
&
ACTIVE... in protecting the world which God created.

Bible quote of the week...

"Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28



Year 5 have been making models. Here is their wonderful model Tudor village.



Year 2 using Ten Frames in their maths work.



Year 4 working very hard in their guitar class.

Polish Word of the Week
(Polskie słowo tygodnia)

"Odpocząć"

means...

Take a rest.

Spanish Word of the Week
(Palabra de la semana)



"Disfruta tu descanso"

means...

Enjoy your break.

Look at how great we are!



The incredible B sisters had their hair cut off and raised £530 for the Little Princess Trust charity. Such a selfless and generous act girls, you should very proud of yourselves and your new hair looks fab!

Bella

Little Princess Trust

Thank you!

Bella & Bobo Borsos-Ruffing

for your fantastic donation of

£530.00

Your wonderful support makes a real difference to children affected by hair loss and also helps fund vital research into childhood cancers



Well done to AW for getting Player of the Match last Saturday! Brilliant AW!



GJ has mastered the handspring this week at her tumbling class this week. Amazing GJ!!!



COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE
A quick reference guide for parents and staff

Please follow the advice below for your child and family.

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school - Contact school to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Get a test <p>Inform the school immediately about the test result</p>	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days). - Self-isolate the whole household. 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> AND the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact school to inform us. - Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day). 	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Ring on each day of illness. 	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Self-isolate the whole household. - Household member to get a test. - Inform school immediately about test result. 	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). - Self-isolate the whole household. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days). 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. - Child can continue to attend school. 	...child can continue to attend school

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. - SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School child(ren) can continue to attend. 	...child can continue to attend school
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: - minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled. - contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. - Self-isolate the whole household. - *Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information 	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS on the exempt list of countries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed: - Check the current Exempt countries and territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list. - Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school. 	...you have informed the office of your return to the UK (<i>the office will ask you a few questions about your travel</i>).
...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school. - The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs (<i>please contact school if you need support getting your child to school</i>). 	...child can continue to attend school
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. 	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.</p> <p>...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child must not come to school. - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. - Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
...I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.



Public Health
England

Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- It can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- The infection is not serious for most people, including children
- There is currently no vaccine
- Most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- You can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- The chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- If you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



**After breaks
& sport
activities**



**Before
cooking
& eating**



**SCHOOL
ETC.**
**On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting**



**After using
the toilet**



**Before
leaving
home**



**Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands**



**Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles**



**If unwell do not share
items such as bedding,
dishes, pencils & towels**



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit NHS.UK to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See NHS.UK for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately



CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.

