



ST PAUL'S NEWS

Newsletter 15 - 06.02.26

A note from Mr Varney:



Hello everyone,

We have all been keeping our fingers crossed this week for some brighter, warmer weather. This wintry weather doesn't seem to want to shift but we are looking forward to sunny days; the children are desperate to get back on the field now.

This week, we were visited by an advisor from the Diocese who has been helping our school to prepare for our next SIAMS inspection, which is likely to take place next year. SIAMS look for how, as a school and community, we are upholding our Christian vision and ethos and allowing all within our community to flourish. When the advisor visited yesterday, she was helping to evaluate the quality of our religious education and curriculum. She also spoke to a selection of pupils about their learning and other elements of school life. I am pleased to report that she observed a strong quality of teaching across the school and saw many examples where we are promoting and developing our pupils' sense of spirituality. She was particularly impressed with how confidently and competently the children could discuss their learning in RE and make connections between the religions they have studied. She was impressed with how well the children could talk about our school's vision and embody it through their obvious love of learning. We now have a few adaptations to make to further enhance areas but she left saying that we are more than ready for our next inspection.

We are really looking forward to Art Week next week and our teachers have some incredible things planned to immerse the children in all things art. Please do remember to visit our Art Gallery next Friday at 3.15pm in the gym.

Have a great weekend - everyone do your best sun dance please!

Upcoming events:

PTA Valentine's Disco - Wednesday
11th February - details to follow

St Paul's Art Gallery - Friday 13th
February @ 3.30pm

PTA Sponsored Pancake Flip Event
- Tuesday 24th February - details to
follow

KS2 Theatre Trip - Thursday 5th
March - details to follow

Character Dress Up Day for Book
Week - Friday 6th March

EYFS / KS1 Theatre Trip -
Wednesday 11th March - details to
follow

Y6 Voice in a Million Trip -
Wednesday 18th March

Parent's Evening 1 - Tuesday 24th
March - appointments to follow

Parent's Evening 2 - Wednesday
25th March - appointments to follow

Achievements this week:



Stars of the Week

Headteacher's Trophy

The headteacher's trophy this week goes to



Tommie - Year 6

Tommie - you have made great progress since starting here at St Paul's with us and this has particularly been the case this year in Year 6. Your attitude and effort towards your work is strong and this is allowing you to learn each day. Well done Tommie!

Year R - Jude

Year 1 - Sadie

Year 2 - Audrey

Year 3 - Billy

Year 4 - Rowan

Year 5 - Harry

Year 6 - Milena



Value Superstars

These children have shown our value of Thankfulness this week:

Iestyn - Year R Jude - Year 1 River - Year 2 William - Year 3 Reuben - Year 4 George C - Year 5 Sienna - Year 6

Teacher of the Week

Our 'Teacher of the Week' has been chosen by our pupils and this week it goes to

Miss Jarmin

For being kind, patient and caring and for helping our Nursery children to learn.

Attendance:

MOMENTS
MATTER.
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.

Whole School Target - 97%

Whole School - 94.4%

Nursery - 76.3%

Reception - 90.4%

Year 1 - 98% - Great!

Year 2 - 99.1% - Great!

Year 3 - 97.1% - Good

Year 4 - 93.5%

Year 5 - 94.9%

Year 6 - 90.5%



Handwriting Stars

The following children have been recognised by Jessica and Mary, our lead ambassadors, for their great presentation and handwriting this week:

Ask us about our learning this week:

Nursery Class - ask us about our learning in class this week as we have been developing our cooking and fine motor skills by preparing and cooking apple crumble - we got to try some and even had custard!

Reception Class - ask us about our work in class this week where we have been looking at the story 'Supertato'. We have been making our own superhero vegetables.

Year 1 - ask us about our learning in RE this week where we have been exploring Judaism. We were learning about Shabbat and reflecting on how we like to relax and rest.

Year 2 - ask us about our learning in maths this week where we have been thinking about data and statistics. We have been collecting data and creating tally charts.

Year 3 - ask us about our learning in RE this week as we have been exploring the religion of Sikhism. We have been learning about the significance of the 5ks and what these mean.

Year 4 - ask us about our learning in RE this week as we have been exploring the religion of Sikhism. We have been reflecting on the significance of Langar and how this helps.

Year 5 - ask us about our learning in English this week where we have been learning about play scripts and their features, writing our own linked to Cosmic.

Year 6 - ask us about our learning in RE this week where we have been exploring the religion of Islam. We have been learning about the Qu'ran and why this is special.



Fresh off the Press

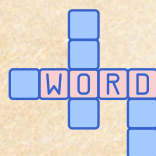


Hi everyone. This is our sports / expressive arts news for this week:

In Year 5, Alex ran in a Cross Country final and Emilia won 10-0 in her football match. In Year 4, Ronnie started a Judo Club, Emma R scored a hat-trick in football, Phoebe won 3-2 in her football match, Emma P won 10-0 in football and Alfie scored a hat-trick in football. In Year 2, Lilah moved up to level 6 in her swimming lessons, River started a Judo Club and Etta moved up to level 5 in her gymnastic lessons. In Year 1, Charlie won a medal for football, Navy did a dance show, Beau won a trophy in football and Holly moved a group in her ballet lessons.

If you have any sports news that you would like featured in our newsletter, please send it to sportscommittee@stpauls909.herts.sch.uk

Milena's Book and Word of the Week



adversaries (noun) - enemy or challenge e.g. James beat his adversaries.



'You can't blend in if you were born to stand out' by R.J Palacio. It is about a boy called August who goes to school for the first time after being home schooled all his life because he has a rare condition that affects his appearance. He struggles with people bullying him until he makes friends and they stand up for him.



St Paul's PTA

Our Fundraising Project

Each year, our PTA do an amazing job at raising vital funds to help us improve our school. We are now working hard to raise money for our next big project - renovating our playground ...

This is our target for the end of this year.



- £30000
- £27000
- £24000
- £21000
- £18000
- £15000
- £12000
- £9000
- £6000
- £3000

We are currently at £14,500.

£3500 raised in the Autumn Term!

Please scan me to donate!

