

St Paul's Catholic Primary School

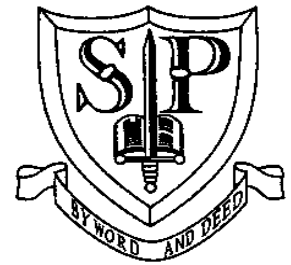
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Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

Individual Photographs – Thursday 21st September

Start of Year Mass

Thank you to those Parents and Grandparents who joined us for the start of year Mass with Father Isidore. The children were exceptionally well behaved and joining in by leading the readings and prayers and singing. Class Masses have been arranged for this academic year and will take place on a Friday morning at 9am we hope that Parents and Parishioners will be able to join us for these important celebrations.

Friends of St Paul's

On Wednesday evening the FOSP met together to begin to plan events for this term. Last year through a range of activities the FOSP raised a significant amount. All monies raised will be spent on the children and their education. This term there will be a non-uniform day and a Family Quiz night will be held on Friday 17th November. Further information to follow once final details have been confirmed.

Year 5 and 6 Parents

All Saints Catholic College are holding an opening evening on **Wednesday 27th September** from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Year 5 and 6 children should have received a letter inviting them to this. Ms Gilligan, Headteacher will be attending St Paul's on **Monday 18th September** to talk to Year 5 and Year 6 Parents about the school. Please join us in the School Hall at 3.30pm.

Learning at St Paul's

Reception: We have been reading 'Owl Babies' this week. Reception have shown great teamwork and interest to create their own owl nest with lots of shelter under the tree. All the items were collected in our garden. They also wanted to design a playground in the nest so that the owls have something to play with. What wonderful imagination!



PIC•COLLAGE

If Parents have any questions or queries about school life please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher, Miss Flynn or Mr Allen.

School Curriculum

All of the class pages on the school website have now been updated and contain important welcome information that will help you to support your child during the Autumn Term <https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/classes> These pages also contain a link to the curriculum information for this term.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Curriculum	<i>What Makes Me Me!</i>	<i>Fabulous Feelings</i>	<i>This is Me!</i>	<i>Oh I do like to be beside the seaside!</i>	<i>Stone Age</i>	<i>Ancient Greece</i>	<i>Savage Saxons</i>	<i>Hyde's Hair Raising History</i>
RE	<i>God's World</i>	<i>God's World</i>	<i>God's Great Plan</i>	<i>The Chosen People</i>	<i>The Christian Family</i>	<i>The Bible</i>	<i>Gifts from God</i>	<i>Kingdom of God</i>
PE Days	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Tuesday/Thursday</i>	<i>Tuesday/Thursday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Wednesday/Thursday</i>	<i>Thursday/Friday</i>	<i>Thursday/Friday - Swimming</i>

Online Payments

As a school we are trying to make payments easier by accepting online payments through School Spider. These can be accessed via the website or app, under Booking & Payments. If you have any queries about online payments please speak to the school office. Please note - All payments of school meals should still be paid to Tameside MBC.

Attendance & Punctuality

Thank you to those families who arrive on time to school every day. If your child arrives late at school we now ask Parents to come to the office to sign them in with a reason for the late arrival.

Award	Attendance	Punctuality
Gold	Attendance is 100%	Always in school on time
Silver	Attendance is 98% or higher	Very rarely late to school
Bronze	Attendance is 96% or higher	Very rarely late to school

Keeping your child well

Tameside Public Health have produced a [leaflet](#) with advice to help keep children well this winter. This includes information about ways to reduce the chance of catching and passing on infections, some of the more common winter illnesses and how to manage them, as well as information on vaccinations. You may also find the following link helpful '[Is my child too ill for school?](#)' as it has lots of helpful advice on which illnesses should require your child to have time off school.

Mobile Phones/Smart Watches

The School Policy is that children are not allowed to bring mobile devices or wear smart watches for school. Only in exceptional circumstances may Year 6 apply for permission to bring a mobile phone. Pupils who do bring a mobile device must adhere to the requirements of the policy. Failure to comply will result in permission being withdrawn. We thank you for your support of the policy which is designed to ensure pupils safety.

Pupils on Free School Meals (FSM)

If your circumstances have changed and you think you may now be eligible for Free School Meals, please email us at admin@st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk or pop in to the school office and we can provide you with additional information. School can then do a quick check to find out if you are entitled to Free School Meals.

Change of contact details

We are currently in the process of updating emergency contact details and have now created an online form. Last week **Year 5** were sent an email and a link to the new form. Please complete and return as a matter of urgency as it is vitally important that we have up to date emergency contact details.

Year 6 Parents – Admission to Secondary School

All Parents should have received a letter, via email, regarding applying for a Secondary School place. You should apply for a school place through the local authority where you live. You must apply for a place by logging on to <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions/ssa> and the closing date for applications is **31st October 2023**. Any applications received after this date will be dealt with as a late application.

Year 6 Bikeability

On Monday 25th September and Tuesday 26th September, Year 6 will be participating in a Bikeability training programme in school. Bikeability is the national cycle training programme supported and funded by the Department for Transport. The course builds the skills and confidence of children who can already ride. Bikeability can not only make children better cyclists – potentially for the rest of their lives – but can help with general confidence and independent thinking. All our Bikeability training is delivered by qualified, professional, DBS checked National Standard Instructors. If you have any questions, please speak to Mr. Allen.

Parking

Please can Parents be considerate when parking in and around school. Parents should not be parking on Turner Lane and causing inconvenience to the residents.

Flu Immunisations

Earlier this week your child should have brought home a Flu Immunisation Consent Form. Please complete and return this form to school no later than **Wednesday 20th September**. If you require a new form please contact the school office.

Dates for your 2023/2024 Diary	
Monday 18th September	Meeting for Year 5 & Year 6 Parents with the Headteacher from All Saints Catholic College: 3.30pm in the school hall
Thursday 21st September	Individual Photographs
Monday 25th September	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 26th September	Year 6 Bikeability European Day of Languages
Wednesday 27th September	Special Friends Assembly at 9.15am – Reception & Year 6 Parents welcome TCSSA Cross Country – KS2 pupils All Saints Catholic College Open Evening: 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Tuesday 3rd October	Year 4 visit to Science & Industry Museum, Manchester Year 6 Visit to Portland Basin
Wednesday 11th October	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9.15am – Parents welcome
Friday 13th October	Year 5 Class Mass at 9am – all welcome
Monday 16th October	Parents Evenings for Nursery to Year 6
Tuesday 17th October	Parents Evenings for Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y6
Wednesday 18th October	Parents Evenings for Year 5
Thursday 19th October	FOSP Non-Uniform Day Break up for Half-term
Friday 20th October	Staff INSET Day
Monday 30th October	Back to school
Tuesday 31st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
Early November	Online applications open for Reception 2023 places
Friday 17th November	FOSP Family Quiz night
Thursday 21st December	Break up for Christmas holidays
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	Back to school – start of the Spring Term
Monday 15th January 2024	Closing date for Reception applications