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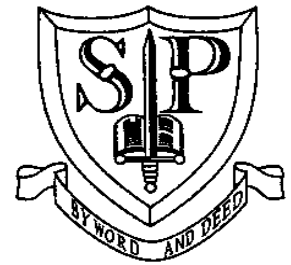
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Newsletter

Friday 19th January 2024

***All welcome to the Year 1 Class Assembly
at 9.15am on Wednesday morning.***

A Snowy Week

It has been a cold but beautiful week. The children have certainly enjoyed playing out in the fresh snow, on Tuesday. Thank you for your understanding with regard to the school car park this week – a decision was taken to close the visitor's car park for the safety of all. Each day we assess the site and make decisions to ensure that everyone remains safe. On some occasions when the playground has been deemed unsafe for the children we have had indoor play. Hopefully, as the temperatures warm, normal service will resume again on Monday. Here are some great photos of some very happy children playing out in Key Stage 1.



Year 5 Visit to Jodrell Bank

On Wednesday this week, Year 5 went on a visit to Jodrell Bank to enrich their learning about Earth and Space. The children had a very enjoyable day.

Year 5 Pupil Voice: -

We had an amazing time learning about space and trying out smart technology. Everyone had so much fun.

My favourite part of the day was learning about Bernard Lovell and the history of Jodrell Bank.

I especially loved the show at the end and it taught me even more about planets. An explainer also showed us a representation of the black hole – it was amazing!

The Planet session in the Space Dome taught me so much about planets.



Reading

At St Paul's we want all children to develop a love of reading. During the Autumn term, we started opening the library up at lunchtime for pupils. This will continue during the Spring Term. On Monday, Miss Smith will launch a **Safe Breaker Reading Challenge**. Three safes will magically appear in the library - Locked away inside each safe, there will be three books. Copies of these books will also be available on the library shelves. Each class received an envelope with clues about the book and these will be opened on Monday.

To submit an answer to Miss Quinn or the Reading Champions, you must:

- Have checked the book out of the library at some point since the challenge has begun.
- Be able to answer basic questions about the book to show that you have read it.
- Have recommended that 2 of your friends read the book to see if they agree and like the book.

NSPCC Number Day

We have decided to take part in the NSPCC Number day once again this year. Number day will take place on **Friday 2nd February**. We are basing our Maths themed day around the book, *How many Jelly beans? By Andrea Menotti*. Throughout the week, starting on the **Monday 29th January**, we will be having a guess the number of jellybeans in the jar competition - 50p a go. All proceeds will go to the NSPCC. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs McGowan.

Parking around School

Please ensure that you park your car considerately when dropping off or picking up your children each day. We have had further complaints this week particularly about parking on Turner Lane. We also ask that you do not park or drop your children off at the main gates on Turner Lane or the Visitors Car Park as both gates are required as an access point for Emergency vehicles at all times.

Contact Details

Please can you ensure that you keep the school office up to date with any changes to mobile phone numbers/home phone numbers and new addresses. It is important that we have contact details in the event of an emergency. Changes can be made by completing the online form on the school website <https://forms.office.com/e/HbiZtzAU8Q>

Kingswood

The Year 6 children are very much looking forward to the annual residential to Colomendy. Thank you for completing the online forms. We still have a few outstanding Code of Conducts – please return these next week. If you have any questions, prior to the trip, please speak to Mr Allen or Miss Smith.

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to Nursery with the highest attendance for last week and to Nursery and Reception with no late arrivals. Overall punctuality improved, with the exception of Year 5.

We now ask that if your child arrives late to school (after 8.55am) that parents/carers take your child to the main office and you are required to sign them in with a reason for your late arrival. Lateness has a significant impact on learning for your child so we ask that all parents make a real effort to arrive at school on time every day.

Attendance & Punctuality for week beginning 8th January 2024									
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Attendance	100%	97.59%	92.96%	96.92%	96.33%	93.13%	89.33%	98.39%	95.58%
No of Lates	0	0	3	1	2	3	7	3	

**Number
Day 2024**

On February 2nd 2024, we will be celebrating the NSPCC Number day and raising money for this worthy charity.

We will have a fun filled day of maths challenges.



We will also be having a "Guess how many Jellybeans" competition throughout the week.

For 50p, you can have one guess of how many there are and on Number Day we will announce who is closest and they will win the whole jar!

Good Luck!

Dates for your 2024 Diary	
Monday 22 nd January	Launch of Safe Breaker Reading Challenge
Tuesday 23 rd January	Year 3 visit to The Marist Centre
	School Nurses to talk to Year 5 girls
Wednesday 24 th January	Year 1 Class Assembly – Parents welcome
Monday 29 th January	Number Day Jelly Bean Competition starts in aid of the NSPCC
Friday 2 nd January	NSPCC Number Day
Wednesday 7 th February	Year 6 Residential to Kingswood – departure at 9.30am
Friday 9 th February	EYFS Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome
	Year 6 Return from Kingswood – approx. 3pm
	Break up for half term at 3.15pm
Monday 19 th February	Return to School
Tuesday 20 th February	Family Workshop for the Sacramental Programme at 6pm
Thursday 22 nd February	Year 6 Safe Squad
Friday 23 rd February	Little Bikers for Reception and Year 1
Friday 8 th March	Year 2 Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome
	TCSSA Annual Swimming Gala - evening
Tuesday 12 th March	TCSSA Cheerleading Competition
	Sacrament of First Forgiveness at St Paul's Church at 7pm
Wednesday 20 th March	Class Photographs
Sunday 24 th March	Start of Holy Week
Tuesday 26 th March	FOSP – Spring Sing at 3.30pm
Thursday 28 th March	Break up for Easter Holidays
Wednesday 10 th April	Start of the Summer Term



To everybody who attended the
Christmas Mingle!

(Extra special thank you to those who volunteered &
helped make sure the event went ahead!)

WE RAISED A HUGE £877!!

Did you know...
Over the last six months with the money raised you have all helped to buy the pupils at St.Pauls -

Computer equipment
Calm boxes
Dictionaries
Glockenspiels

All money we raise goes towards new equipment for all pupils!
Hopefully we can raise lots more this year,
Thank you to everyone from
The Friends of St.Pauls