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Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2022

Year 1 Parents and Parishioners are invited to attend the Year 1 Class Mass next Tuesday morning at 9am in the school hall.

Year 2 Class Assembly

Well done to the Year 2 children for their fabulous class assembly on Wednesday morning. It really was a true showcase and celebration of their learning so far during this term. It was lovely to receive such positive feedback from many parents who attended, who not only complimented the Year 2 children, but also the rest of the school on their excellent behaviour. Thanks to all of the Parents/Carers and Grandparents who joined us – we are glad that you have enjoyed being back in school after the pandemic.

Visit from Bishop Mark

Today we welcomed Bishop Mark who came to visit our school with Father Oliver. He led a whole school assembly with the opportunity for the children to ask him some questions. He was very thankful to the staff for the wonderful work they have done, especially over the past two years.

Learning in Nursery this week



Year 4 Visit to Manchester Art Gallery

On Thursday Year 4 visited Manchester Art Gallery. Thanks to Miss Patel, Miss Quinn and Mrs Calderbank for accompanying the children on the visit.



Our day at the Art Gallery by Jennah

On Thursday, we went to the Art Gallery to take part in a workshop about the Trojan War. We did activities which involved acting out a bit of the story. Also, we looked around the gallery in our groups and discussed what we could see in the artwork. I really liked understanding the story a bit more and my favourite part was when we were acting out the war in groups.



School Building Fund – voluntary contribution

On Monday you will receive a pdf leaflet, through School Spider, about the Diocesan School Building Fund. Please take the time to read the information in the leaflet. The Fund is of great importance in helping the Governors to meet the 10% liability on building and major repair projects. We have benefited from this fund in recent years with new toilets, playground resurfacing and a replacement ceiling in the Nursery building. The Pdf explains that parents can make their voluntary contribution online and also Gift Aid this. Voluntary contributions can also be made by cash/cheque. A Gift Aid Declaration (Form B) is also included as part of the Pdf that parents can print off and complete to boost the value of their voluntary contribution made by cash/cheque. Should you require a printed version of the form please ask at the school office.

Parents Evenings

On either **Monday 17th** or **Tuesday 18th October** all Parents are invited to a short meeting with their child's class teacher. This meeting will give you the opportunity to hear how your child has settled into their new year group and see their books. Appointments are for a maximum of ten minutes and can be booked online through the School Spider App from **Monday morning**. New Parents have been emailed log in details and you can download the app from **Google Play** or the **App Store** by searching for School Spider. In the Parents area you can receive smartphone messages, emails, receive newsletters, book Parents evenings and complete surveys and forms.

For current Parents who have previously logged into the app may need to log out and log back in so that you can access the correct year group. If there are any issues with log in, please contact the school office.



Times Table Rock Stars

Mrs McGowan has set up the first battle of this academic year. Each of the Bands will play against each other answering as many questions as possible. The competition will start tomorrow at 3.20pm and will end next **Friday 14th October**. Good Luck to all participants.

Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs Robinson on the arrival of her baby girl, Ariana, earlier this week. We hope that she enjoys her maternity leave with her family.

Parent Governor Ballot

Thanks to all who have already returned their ballot papers. Please ensure that ballot papers are returned by Tuesday 11th October 2022 as any votes returned after this date will not be counted.

Attendance & Punctuality

We promote good attendance and excellent punctuality at St Paul's. Last week the overall attendance was 96%. We are unable to authorise holidays during term time and fines will be issued for any holidays taken during this academic year, unless there are very exceptional circumstances.

Attendance & Punctuality for week beginning Monday 26 th September 2022								
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Number of late arrivals	2	5	0	1	5	4	2	1
Attendance	92%	96%	97%	99%	97%	98%	92%	97%

Well done to Year 2 with the highest attendance last week and to Year 1 with no late arrivals. Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 we hope to see a rapid improvement in your punctuality.

Cafod Family Fast

Many thanks for your donations to Cafod.

Secondary School Applications

If you have a child in Year 6, please ensure that you have completed your online application for a High School place for your child. The closing date for applications is **31st October**. Any applications received after this time will be classed as a late application and you may not be allocated your first choice of school.

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.

*A gentle reminder that we have asked Parents with children in Reception to Year 6 to leave their children at the school gates each morning, rather than taking them to the classroom doors.
We would really appreciate your support with this transition.*

Dates for your 2022/2023 Diary	
Tuesday 11th October	Year 1 Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome
Wednesday 12th October	KS2 Tameside Catholic Schools Cross Country Championships – King George V Playing Fields – more info. to follow
Monday 17th October	Parents Evenings for Nursery to Year 6: 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Tuesday 18th October	Parents Evenings for Reception to Year 6: 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Wednesday 19th October	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9.15am – Parents/carers welcome
Thursday 20th October	Break up for Half-term
Friday 21st October	Staff INSET Day
Monday 31st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
Monday 31st October	Back to school
Early November	Online applications open for Reception 2023 places
Tuesday 1st November	Individual Photographs Safe Squad for Year 6 pupils
Thursday 10th November	Girls Football Festival
Friday 11th November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 21st December	Break up for Christmas holidays
Wednesday 4th January 2023	Back to school – start of the Spring Term
Sunday 15th January 2023	Closing date for Reception applications