



Newsletter

Friday 11th November 2022

Year 3 Parents are invited to attend the Class Assembly next Wednesday morning at 9.15am in the school hall.

Sacramental Programme – Year 3

Thank you to all the parents who have returned the application forms for the Sacramental Programme. Your child is only able to participate in the programme if they have been baptised in the Catholic church. We will be holding our first meeting on **Wednesday 16th November** at **6pm** in school. This initial meeting is just for Parents and children will be welcome at the first workshop. The Enrolment Mass to enrol your child on the programme will take place at St Paul's Catholic Church on **Saturday 19th November** at **6pm**. It is vitally important that if you wish for your child to participate that they attend Mass on Saturday 19th November. We look forward to working with you to support your child on their Sacramental Journey during this year.

Anti-Bullying Focus Week

Anti-Bullying Week 2022: Theme Reach Out

Next week, is national Anti-Bullying Week 2022. It will take place from 14th to 18th November 2022 and has the theme **Reach Out**. The week will kick off with **Odd Socks Day** on **Monday 14th November**, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. We will end the week with Friendship Friday – please talk to your child about their ideas for this during the week.

Throughout the week, the children will be completing tasks and activities to develop their understanding about the importance of Anti-Bullying Week and *reaching out* to someone if they are feeling sad or unhappy.

CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day is leading celebrity support for the campaign, with his band Andy and the Odd Socks. The band will record and release a toe-tapping song to mark Odd Socks Day on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week. There's a serious message behind the fun: let's pull on odd socks to show we're ALL unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality.



Before & After School Clubs

Lianne Owen, Dance Coach is back at St Paul's, after her maternity leave. We do currently have some places available on the Key Stage 1 Before School Dance Club. If you would like a place for your child please contact the school office or complete the survey on School Spider and places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Due to the dark nights drawing in, Mr Allen's football club has now finished for this term. Other clubs will continue until further notice.

Staffing News

On Friday 2nd December, we will say goodbye to Miss Patel who has been covering Mrs Shackleton's maternity leave. We will welcome Mrs Shackleton back on Monday 5th December.

Reception Places 2023

The online portal is now open for applications for Reception 2023. The closing date for application is **15th January 2023**. Please be aware that we require additional evidence such as baptismal certificates to accompany your online application. This should be brought to the school office before the closing date in January.

Friends of St Paul's

The Friends of St Paul's met on Tuesday evening and were busy planning Christmas events. On Tuesday 6th December we will be holding a festive sing at which the school choir and Mr Partington's Glockenspiel club will perform. We will have refreshments available to buy along with a small selection of Christmas gifts and we will also be selling Raffle Tickets. We are looking for donations for Raffle Prizes, so if you work for a local business who would be willing to donate a prize we would be grateful.

Easy Fundraising

We've registered with easyfundraising and we need your help. Easyfundraising is a great website where you can help St Paul's Catholic Primary, Hyde, raise funds simply by doing your online Christmas shopping with over 4,000 big name retailers like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S. Every time you shop, we receive a small donation to say 'thank you' and it's completely free too! We want to raise as much as possible so please sign up and help us at [St Paul's Catholic Primary Hyde Fundraising Ideas | easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

Black History Month Competition

Miss Smith has been very impressed by the number of entries she has received for the Black History Month competition across KS2 and has found deciding the winners particularly difficult. Our display is now filled with things from a vinyl designed with facts about Otis Redding, to a huge poster of Martin Luther King and Malcolm X, to model aeroplanes brimming with black history facts. Importantly, lots of us have learnt a little bit more about black history.

The winners are:

Year 3 - Winner: Isaac - Information about Sir Walter Tull. The first black footballer

Runner up: Frankie - The work of Sir Lenny Henry.

Year 4 - Winner Eva - A poster on Mary Seacole.

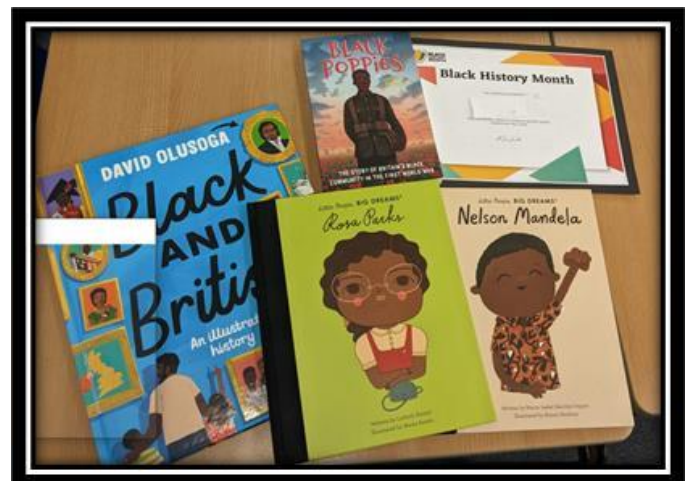
Runner up: Carter - Facts and artwork about Bob Marley.

Year 5 - Winner: Olivia - for writing and singing an amazing song about Mary Seacole!

Runner up: Max-an informative PPT on Stevie Wonder.

Year 6 - Winner: Emelia - Lilian Bayder, William Robinson Clark and more on a home-made wooden model of an aeroplane.

Runner up: Ami - a whole booklet on slavery.



School Building Fund – voluntary contribution

Thank you to all of the Parents who have donated to the Diocesan School Building Fund. 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. 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. At a time when school budgets are extremely tight we ask Parents to carefully consider their donation for the upkeep of the school building.

Sports Report - Girls Football Festival

Well done to all of the girls who took part in the Tameside football festival at Curzon Ashton on Thursday night. Both teams did really well and played with great determination and team spirit. Thank you to all of the parents and family members who came along to support the children.



Admissions Consultation

Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council is carrying out a consultation on the proposed admission arrangements for schools in the borough for admission in September 2024.

The consultation is being carried out by the Council, as admission authority for community and voluntary controlled schools, and the consultation including details of all the changes can be accessed using the following link: <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/schools/admissions/2024consultation>

The consultation proposals includes:

- To reduce the Published Admission Number at Hyde Community High School from 240 to 210
- To reduce the Published Admission Number at Denton Community College, from 330 to 270
- To update the definition on home address where parents have shared responsibility each for part of the week.
- To improve the wording to ensure alignment with the Admissions Code for 'Admission outside Normal Age Range

Kingswood

Just a reminder to Year 6 Parents that you can pay for Kingswood through instalments. The total cost of the residential is £140.00. Please ensure you send any payments to the school office with your payment card. We will be holding a meeting for Parents on **Tuesday 29th November** at 4pm.

Christmas Events

In the diary dates section, you will find the dates of Christmas Productions. Further information will follow regarding tickets for each event.

Free School Meals

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.

GM Early Years consultation – Parent Survey

The survey is designed to be completed by **parent/carers of children under 5** and aims to explore the ongoing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the current cost of living crisis on young children and families. Key themes covered include child development; access to support and services; family wellbeing; parent-child relationships and childcare. GMCA launched the GM Early Years Consultation that was previously discussed and endorsed by the School Readiness Board. The survey is hosted on www.gmconsult.org and can be accessed directly via this link [Greater Manchester Family Survey \(Children under 5\) – Greater Manchester Combined Authority – Citizen Space \(gmconsult.org\)](#) The survey will remain open until 18th November.

Attendance & Punctuality

Well done to **Year 6** with the highest attendance last week and to **Year 1** with no late arrivals.

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 31st October 2022								
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Number of late arrivals	3	2	0	5	6	4	2	3
Attendance	100%	94%	97%	98%	96%	96%	96%	99%

Dates for your 2022/2023 Diary	
November – now open	Online applications open for Reception 2023 places
Friday 11th November	Deadline for free delivery for Individual photos
Monday 14th November	Anti-Bullying Focus week
	Odd Socks Day (School uniform & odd socks for Children & Staff)
Wednesday 16th November	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9.15am – Parents/Carers welcome Sacramental Programme Meeting for Year 3 Parents at 6pm, School Hall
Saturday 19th November	Year 3 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass at 6pm, St Paul's Church
Thursday 24th November	Girls Football Festival at Curzon Ashton
Tuesday 29th November	Kingswood Meeting for Parents at 4pm
*Wednesday 30th November	Year 4 Class Mass at 9am – Parents/Carers/Parishioners welcome *Please note change of date
Thursday 8th December	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 14th December	EYFS Nativity at 9.30am
Thursday 15th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity at 6pm
Friday 16th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity at 9.30am
Monday 19th December	Christmas Party Day – Christmas jumpers, party clothes may be worn
Tuesday 20th December	Whole School Mass at 9am – all welcome Christmas Dinner for those pupils on School Dinners
Wednesday 21st December	Key Stage 2 Carol Service at St Paul's Church at 9.30am Break up for Christmas holidays at 3.15pm
Wednesday 4th January 2023	Back to school – start of the Spring Term
Sunday 15th January 2023	Closing date for Reception applications

I can reflect and be thankful to people who keep us safe.
I am learning to know that where there is darkness I will always find
light and peace.



Nursery talked about the Poppies and what they mean.
We passed the candle around, we
said Thank You to the soldiers.
Then listened to the hymn Peace Perfect Peace.

Thank you God for the people
who help and keep us safe.
Help us to always see the light in
the darkness.
Amen



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