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Newsletter

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Year 3 Class Assembly

Well done to Year 3 for presenting an amazing assembly on Wednesday morning. You shared so many facts about your learning in English, Geography, French, RE and Science. Your singing was also great and we loved hearing the new song about Manchester! Thank you to the parents/carers who attended and for the lovely feedback you have sent – it is very much appreciated.

Kingswood – February 2025

We are delighted that the Year 6 Residential will definitely be going ahead and instead of a trip to North Wales, the children will be going to Dearne Valley, Doncaster from **Monday 10th to Wednesday 12th February 2025**. Thank you to those parents who have already completed the survey. Please ensure this is completed by the end of the school day.

NSPCC Visits

On Wednesday next week, Years 2, 5 and 6 will be participating in a workshop with the NSPCC as we are participating in the **NSPCC's *Speak out. Stay safe.* Programme** this term. *Speak out. Stay safe.* is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline. This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom-based activities, alongside NSPCC volunteer led face to face workshops for children aged 6-7 and 9-11. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy.

Parents and carers are asked to let school know if their child may have experienced anything (in the past or happening now) which may mean they need extra support before, during or after taking part in this programme. If you would like to know more about the *Speak out. Stay safe.* programme visit www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

<p>Parent/Carer support</p> <p>Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers.</p> <p>www.nspcc.org.uk/parents</p>	<p>Activities to extend learning at home</p> <p>Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe.</p> <p>www.nspcc.org.uk/activities</p>
<p>Online Safety Hub</p> <p>For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls and more.</p> <p>www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety</p>	<p>Childline – under 12's</p> <p>Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content.</p> <p>www.childline.org.uk/buddy (5-7)</p> <p>www.childline.org.uk/kids (7-11)</p>
<p>Talk PANTS with your children</p> <p>Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at</p> <p>www.nspcc.org.uk/pants.</p>	

NSPCC Number Day – Friday 7th February

Next Friday is NSPCC Number Day and we will be fundraising throughout the week for this worthy charity. Each night this week, we have posted a clue on the school's X page (@StPaulsHyde) so make sure you check it out. Sales will begin next Monday morning at play time.

Good luck everyone from Mrs McGowan.

Nursery Places – September 2025

The online form is open for applications <https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/page/forms/5938> for **Nursery** places for September 2025. We now offer 30 hours teacher led provision in the Nursery. We are also able to offer provision for children in the term after their 3rd birthday. Please speak to the school office if you have any queries about nursery provision.

We also require additional evidence such as baptismal certificates to accompany your online application.

TCSSA Football

Congratulations to the children who represented school at the Tameside Catholic Schools Sports Association Football Tournament on Tuesday evening. The children played really well with great team spirit. Thank you to the parents who went along to watch and to Mr Allen for organising the event.

Learning this week

Nursery and Reception have had a fantastic few days exploring Chinese New Year. Reception have made their own lanterns, written Chinese numbers, wrote about the animals of the Zodiac and the best part - tasting some Chinese food!

Nursery have also created some wonderful work and enjoyed tasting food.



On February 7th 2025, 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 feet" competition throughout the week.

The jar is filled with jelly insects, jelly frogs and jelly babies.

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

Good Luck!

All proceeds will go to the NSPCC.



Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to Year 2 with the highest attendance and to Year 4 and nursery once again with no late arrivals last week. We are committed to promoting excellent attendance and punctuality, as these are key to a successful school experience. If your child will be absent, kindly inform the school office before 9am on the first day of absence.

Thank you for your co-operation and support in helping our students make the most of their school day. Please note that holidays during term-time will not be authorised and may incur a fine.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Late arrivals	0	1	3	7	2	0	5	10	28
Attendance	97.65%	92.5%	97.24%	98.15%	92.86%	97.93%	97.19%	96%	96.2%

Dates for your 2025 Diary

Please make a note of any key dates, but please be aware that on occasion dates may need to change

Now	Online applications open for Nursery 2025 places https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/page/forms/5938
Wednesday 5 th February	NSPCC visit to school – Workshops for Y2, Y5 and Y6
Monday 10 th February	Year 6 Depart for Kingswood at 10am
Tuesday 11 th February	Whole School Mass with Readings led by Year 2 at 9am
	Year 4 Visit to Hyde Library
	TCSSA Cone It Competition
Wednesday 12 th February	Year 6 return from Kingswood at approx. 3pm
Friday 14 th February	Break up for half term at 3.15pm
Monday 24 th February	Return to school
Tuesday 25 th February	Year 3 Sacramental Programme Workshop at 6pm
Wednesday 26 th February	Little Bikers for Reception
Thursday 27 th February	Year 6 Safe Squad
Wednesday 5 th March	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9.15am – Parents/Carers welcome
	Little Bikers for Reception
Tuesday 11 th March	Whole School Mass with Readings led by Year 5 at 9am
	TCCSA Cheerleading Competition – pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Paul's Church at 6pm
Wednesday 12 th March	Little Bikers for Reception
Wednesday 19 th March	Class Photographs
	Little Bikers for Reception
Wednesday 26 th March	Little Bikers for Reception
Wednesday 2 nd April	Little Bikers for Reception
Friday 4 th April	Break up for Easter holidays at 3.15pm
Tuesday 22 nd April	Return to school
Saturday 10 th May	First Holy Communion at St Paul's Church
Monday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 23 rd May	Break up for half term
Monday 9 th June	Return to school
	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check & Year 2 Phonics Screening Re-checks
	Year 4 Multiplication Checks
Thursday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day