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Newsletter

Friday 20th June 2025

Before and After School Club Provision

We are delighted to confirm that we are working with an external provider, **Progressive Kids**, to establish a Before and After School Club. The club will offer a safe, welcoming and engaging environment for children outside of regular school hours and will be based on the school site. We are hopeful that this provision will be in place for September. Please see the communication that has been shared earlier today for further information. There will also be a meeting for interested Parents on **Tuesday 1st July** at 5pm.

Nursery Farm Visit

On Wednesday afternoon Nursery went on an exciting journey to Flowery Field Farm. The children had a great time and enjoyed telling me all about their visit.

"I saw some alpacas." Harriet

"I saw a brown and black goat." Patryk

"I saw some piglets and I fed the goats." Ella

"I enjoyed the train." Levi

"I saw a giant brown rabbit." Florence

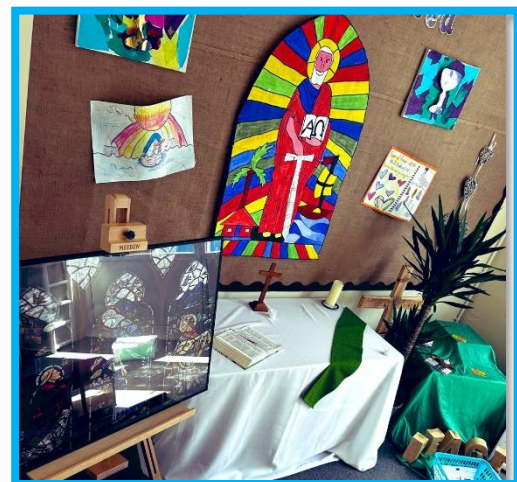
Many thanks to the Staff, Parents and Grandparents who attended, as without your support the visit couldn't have gone ahead.



Visit of the Jubilee Icon

The Jubilee Icon was blessed by Bishop Mark during the Mass of the Sacred Chrism at St Anthony's, Wythenshawe, before the Easter Triduum. In his homily that evening Bishop Mark said, "I wish this evening to send an image of Our Lady, as she is depicted in our Cathedral in the joy of her Visitation, to every school and college of the Diocese."

On Wednesday morning, the Deputy Headteacher from St James Hattersley, Miss Bostock, and some children brought the Jubilee Icon to the children of St Paul's.



It is hoped that this Jubilee Icon of the Visitation will be an opportunity in this Jubilee Year for us, pilgrims of hope, to grow ever closer to Jesus through his mother, Mary.

In our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, let us ask Our Lady, Help of Christians, to come to our aid, secure in the knowledge that is her pilgrimage, that is her desire and that is her place in the Christian life.

On Monday, the worship leaders will take the icon to St Mary's, Dukinfield.

FOSP

On Friday 4th July, we will be holding a **Summer Games and Bake Sale**. This event will start at 3.15pm. There will be games for all ages including Beat the Goalie, Hook-a-duck, Play Your Cards Right and many more. Please note this will be a cash only event!

The FOSP are looking for some raffle prizes, such as vouchers, tickets to events or attractions, beauty treatments or themed gift baskets – if you have any such prizes that you would be willing to donate, please hand them in at the school office.

All funds raised will go towards purchasing new books for the school library.

SPUD: St. Paul's Uniform Donation Sale

Our goal is to promote sustainability and affordability by reusing good-quality school uniform – all while raising funds for the school.

How it works:

- **Donation Day:** Monday 7th July 8.30 – 9.00am/3pm – 3.30pm
Parents can drop off gently used uniform in good condition.
- **Sale Day:** Friday 11th July between 3.15pm and 4pm

Prices:

- Cardigans / Jumpers – £2
- All other items – £1

All proceeds will go towards equipment and enrichment opportunities for the children.

Learning at St Paul's this week

Nursery and Reception have been working together and learning all about Islam. The children worked in small groups to look at different aspect of the faith.



In the afternoon, Mrs Rehan and Mrs Zahan, two of our lunchtime supervisors and Miss Begum kindly prepared some food for our children in Early Years. The children and staff had a great afternoon tasting food.



New Parents Induction Meeting

We have invited all Parents with a child starting in Nursery or Reception, in September, to join us for an Induction evening next **Wednesday 25th June**, starting at 6pm. This meeting will take place in the school hall. This meeting is aimed at Parents so we ask that you do not bring your child/children along if at all possible. We do still have some spaces available in Nursery for September. If you know anyone who is still looking for a place, please encourage them to contact the school office for more information.

Request from Father Isidore

Father Isidore is very keen to further develop links between the Parish and the School. From Sunday 29th June, there will now be a 9am Mass at St Paul's Church in addition to the Saturday evening Mass at 6pm. Father is looking for volunteers who would be willing to lead the children's liturgy at the Sunday morning Mass. All resources would be prepared for you and you would just need to lead the session. This is a wonderful opportunity which would enable the children in our school/parish to hear the Gospel and reflect on the message in an age-appropriate way. You do not need to have any prior experience just a willingness to share your faith with children. If you are interested or need any more information, please speak to Father Isidore. You can catch him at any of the weekend Masses, by telephone on 0161 3302424 or email stmaryandstpaulRC@gmail.com

Current Year 2 Parents

You may or may not be aware that once your child moves to KS2 they are no longer entitled to Universal Free School Meals. This means that if you would like your child to continue having a school dinner every day then there will be a charge, unless your child is entitled to Free School Meals. Please can you kindly let the school office know before the end of June whether you would like your child to continue on school meals or change to sandwiches from September.

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to Reception for having the highest attendance and to Year 4 for their excellent punctuality. Please note that holidays taken during term time may incur a fine. If your child will be absent, kindly inform the school office before 9am on the first day of absence.

We remain committed to promoting excellent attendance and punctuality, as these are key to a successful school experience.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Late arrivals	1	6	2	1	2	0	1	6	19
Attendance	95%	96.8%	96.4%	94.3%	93.1%	95%	96.3%	96%	95.36%

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	
Monday 23 rd June	Worship Leaders to transfer the Jubilee Icon to St Mary's, Dukinfield
Tuesday 24 th June	TCSSA KS2 Athletics Competition
Wednesday 25 th June	Induction Meeting for Nursery/Reception intake for September 2025 at 6pm
Thursday 26 th June	Reception Class visit to St Paul's Church
Sunday 29 th June	Feast of St Peter & Paul 9am Mass starts at St Paul's Church – all welcome
Tuesday 1 st July	Progressive Sports Before & After School Club - Meeting for Parents at 5pm
Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 5 Rivers Trip
Thursday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day Nursery Class visit to St Paul's Church
Friday 4 th July	FOSP Summer Games starting at 3.15pm – all welcome
Monday 7 th July	SPUD uniform drop day
Tuesday 8 th July	Whole school Mass to be led by EYFS at 9am – Parents welcome TCSSA Rounders Competition
Wednesday 9 th July	Reading Champions to attend event at Dukinfield Town Hall SEND Parent Group at Russell Scott Primary School 9.30am – 11.30am
Friday 11 th July	Year 6 Leavers Trip to Clip 'n Climb, Oldham SPUD Uniform Sale 3.15pm to 4pm
Tuesday 15 th July	Egyptian Workshop for Year 3
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Production of Panto Pandemonium at 6pm
Thursday 17 th July	Sports Day – starting approx. 9.15am Year 6 Production of Panto Pandemonium at 2pm
Friday 18 th July	Last week of swimming for Year 4 pupils
Monday 21 st July	Drop-in session for Parents 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Thursday 24 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.30am – Parents welcome Break up for Summer
Friday 25 th July	Staff INSET Day