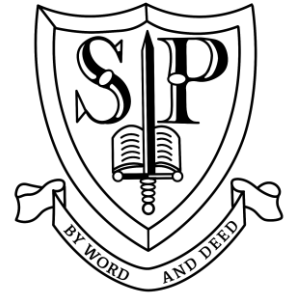


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Newsletter

Friday 11th July 2025

Transition for September 2025

Transitioning between year groups in primary school is a significant step for children. We understand that moving into a new class, meeting a new teacher and adjusting to new routines can be both exciting and a little daunting. To support our children, we are holding a transition session on **Monday 14th July** to help children feel confident and prepared. Our aim is to ensure every child feels secure, supported and ready to learn in their new environment.

Staffing Arrangements for September 2025

We are now in a position to be able to confirm staffing arrangements for the new school year.

- Mrs Lloyd will return from her maternity leave and will return to work on Monday 21st July 2025. She will be working 4 days a week.
- Miss Joshi will be leaving St Paul's and heading to a new position at a school in Stockport.
- Miss Bower has been appointed as a part time teacher and will be teaching Year 2 and in other classes across school.

Year Group	Class Teachers
Nursery	Mrs Calderbank
Reception	Mr Rothwell
Year 1	Mrs McGowan
Year 2	Mrs Lloyd & Miss Bower
Year 3	Miss Boyd (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) Mrs Wood (Thursday, Friday)
Year 4	Mr Titterington
Year 5	Mrs Shackleton
Year 6	Miss Smith

Sports Day

Sports Day will take place next **Thursday 17th July** starting at 9.15am. All of the children will take part in each race/activity. The children will need to wear a coloured t-shirt of the house that they are in. They can come to school in their kit and stay in their kit for the remainder of the day.

Barlow – Green **Beckett – Blue** **Clitherow – Yellow (PE Kit is fine)** **More - Red**

Parents and family members are all welcome to follow their child to see each of the activities, but please stay on the outside of the sports circuit.

In the case that Sports day can't go ahead due to the weather (the forecast is a little varied at present) we will post a message on the school website, after 8am. Please check the website before phoning school.

Panto Pandemonium

The Year 6 children have been busy preparing for the performance of Panto Pandemonium. The performances will take place on **Wednesday 16th July at 6pm and Thursday 17th July at 2pm**. Tickets for the performance will go on general sale from Monday 14th July and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Tickets are priced at £2.50 per adult and £1.50 for under 12's. Pre-school children can sit on a parent's knee and do not require a ticket. Paper tickets will then be issued via the children. It is important that you then bring your ticket along to the performance, as numbers are limited.

The children will need to return to school at 5.30pm on Wednesday evening in time for the performance starting at 6pm. If you are not watching the performance on Wednesday evening you will need to collect your child from the main entrance to school at 7.15pm.

Drop in for Parents

Reports will be emailed out to Parents next week. If you have any questions/queries we ask that you attend the **Drop in session** with teachers. These will be held on **Thursday 17th July** for the children in **Year 5** and as Mrs Shackleton is the SENDCo she will be available at this time in case you have any SEND related queries. On Monday 21st July, all other staff will be available to answer any queries about reports. The times for both sessions are 3.30pm to 5.30pm.

EYFS Mass

Well done to the Nursery and Reception children who led the readings, prayers and singing at the Mass so beautifully on Tuesday morning. Considering they are the youngest children in our school they behaved so well and read very clearly. Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who joined us for the Mass. We are very proud of all of the children in EYFS and the progress they have made throughout the year.

FOSP

Thank you to all who attended the **Summer Games and Bake Sale** last Friday afternoon. Many thanks to the FOSP and all who volunteered to help out with the organisation of the event.

SPUD: St. Paul's Uniform Donation Sale

Today is SPUD Sale Day between 3.15pm and 4pm in the School Hall. All proceeds will go towards equipment and enrichment opportunities for the children.



TCSSA Rounders Competition

Well done to the rounders team who played in the TCSSA rounders competition on Tuesday night. The team played brilliantly and showed off their excellent batting, bowling and fielding skills finishing in 3rd place. Thank you to all of the parents and family members who came along to support the children.

Sporting Summer Challenge

To encourage the children to take part in physical activity during the summer holidays, Mr. Allen has set them a challenge to run, walk, cycle or swim 5km a week or do an hour physical activity a week. The 5km or the hour doesn't have to be done in one go, it can be a cumulative distance throughout the week. For more information on how the Summer Challenge will work <https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/page/mr-allens-summer-challenge/80225>

- Please feel free to keep us updated about how you are getting on X @MisterAllen_ or @StPaulsHyde
- Everyone who completes the challenge will receive a Mr Allen's Summer Fitness Challenge certificate and medal.

If there are any questions, please feel free to email mrallen@st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk

Year 4 visit to St George's Church by Gracie



First, we walked all the way to St George's Church (which was half an hour.) Then we walked into the church, only to be met by Vicar Jeremy. Inside, there was a lot more instruments than we have, no upstairs and more abstract stained-glass windows including a dove to represent peace, some crosses for Jesus and some leaves. Inquisitively, they don't say the Hail Mary there. After the vicar had explained a load of facts about the church, we asked some questions. My question was, "Do you enjoy your job as a vicar?"

Then, we got to have a look around and Sean played a jolly song on the piano. We saw an organ. But then we had to walk back to school. That was our adventure.



Internet Safety

We must be assertive and proactive in keeping children safe in an increasingly connected world. For this reason, it is vital that all parents are aware of and understand current regulations and guidance. It may be useful to know the following age restrictions for having social media accounts:

- **Tik Tok, WhatsApp, Instagram, Snapchat, YouTube – 13 years old**

Despite the age restrictions, the vast majority of social media sites do not ask for proof of age; therefore, the responsibility primarily is with parents to monitor acceptable use of social media. Do you know the answers to the following questions?

- What content are my children viewing?
- What language is being used in the chat?
- What are the age ratings and why?

You can find some helpful advice relating to controls and settings on the following website [Parental controls and privacy settings guides | Internet Matters](#)

We are also committed to teaching your children about online safety as part of the school's curriculum.

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to Year 2 and Year 4 for having the highest attendance last week. Although the increasing number of late arrivals is really disappointing. 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	5	10	5	3	4	4	9	9	49
Attendance	95.9%	96.4%	98.6%	99.3%	97.6%	99%	98.4%	94.7%	97.49%

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 14th July	Reports & SATs results emailed out to Parents this week Panto Pandemonium tickets go on general sale Transition Session 9.15am to 10.30am for all pupils
Tuesday 15th July	Egyptian Workshop for Year 3 Year 4 and Eco Council – Eco Project with Warm Front Ltd
Wednesday 16th July	Year 6 Production of Panto Pandemonium at 6pm
Thursday 17th July	Sports Day – starting approx. 9.15am Year 6 Production of Panto Pandemonium at 2pm Drop-in session for Y5 Parents only 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Monday 21st July	Drop-in session for Parents 3.30pm – 5.30pm (Except Y5 Parents)
Tuesday 22nd July	Whole School Mass for Year 6 Leavers at 9am – Parents welcome
Wednesday 23rd July	House Points Treat
Thursday 24th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.30am – Parents welcome Break up for Summer at 3.15pm
Friday 25th July	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 19th August	ASCC Pre-Loved Uniform Summer Sale 10am – 12 noon
Thursday 21st August	ASCC Pre-Loved Uniform Summer Sale 1pm – 3pm
Monday 1st September	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 2nd September	Start of the New School Year



Pre Loved Uniform Summer Sale



Our Summer **Pre Loved** sale will be held at School on the following days

**19th August between 10am and 12pm
&
21st August between 1pm and 3pm**

There will be blazers, jumpers, bags, shirts and lots more available to purchase, with prices ranging from £1 to £10
Please note it will be **CASH ONLY**

All funds raised will go to the amazing Masie Moo Charity

Information for pupils, parents and guardians from Transport for Greater Manchester

Igo card applications and summer drop-in sessions

If you're 11-16 years old, you'll need an [igo card](#) to travel using child tickets on buses and trams in Greater Manchester. It can take up to two weeks to process your igo card application, so make sure you apply in plenty of time for the start of the new term.

The Bee Network team is hand to help at five pop-up stalls at [interchanges](#) across Greater Manchester this summer. Simply drop by between 10am – 2pm to speak to staff and get your application in early:

- Tuesday 29 July: Bolton Interchange
- Tuesday 5 August: Bury Interchange
- Tuesday 12 August: Shudehill Interchange
- Tuesday 19 August: Stockport Interchange
- Tuesday 26 August: Altrincham Interchange

Make sure you bring:

- A passport-sized colour photo of the child that's applying.
- Proof of name and age of the child applying: a copy of your birth certificate, adoption certificate, medical card, passport or EU/EEA card. Please do not bring original documents.
- Payment (for the £10 fee).

You can also apply for an igo card by post or at a Bee Network Information and Ticket Office. Visit beenetwork.com/igo for more information.

Get on board for Big Days Out this summer

Make the most of your school summer holidays and get on board for big days out across Greater Manchester. Whether it's parks, museums, festivals or food, [family bus tickets](#) and [family tram tickets](#) are the best value and coolest way to travel. For more info, take a look at Bee Network [X](#) post.

TravelSafe this summer

This summer you'll probably want to hang out with your mates. That could mean travelling together on buses and trams or using bus stations and tram stops.

TravelSafe Officers patrol buses, trams and interchanges to keep everyone safe and offer help if you need it. Remember, it's fine to have fun. But it's also important you don't do things that might make other people using buses or trams feel uncomfortable. You can get advice and tips for you and your friends at tfgm.com/schools.

Information for primary schools

Active travel support for schools (Walking, Wheeling and Cycling)

The TfGM Active Travel Team has a wealth of support available to schools, including:

- Bespoke cycle training - <https://forms.office.com/e/YZSdQsa6tm>
- An online School Travel Plan platform (Modeshift STARS)
- Bespoke school travel maps and leaflets
- A range of other school travel resources

To find out more please visit the [Support for Schools webpage](#) or drop us a line at: active.travel@tfgm.com

New Travel Training resources for young people in Greater Manchester

To help young people across Greater Manchester travel more confidently and independently, the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA), in partnership with TfGM, Greater Manchester Police, and local partners, has launched a new set of travel training resources.

Co-created with young people, including those with additional needs, the materials include a practical Independent Travel Guide (with an Easy Read version) and a series of short films on using buses, trams, and trains. These resources aim to build essential travel skills and promote wellbeing, and will be available on the [TfGM website](#) this summer.