Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School Newsletter— 15th November 2024



Learning, growing and caring as part of God's family.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit. John 15:5

	Time to Shine		
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments		
Evie Winder YR	Evie is good at drawing & her numbers. She is helpful, caring & has a big smile.		
Leo O'Donnell Y1	Leo can run really fast. He likes to make things. He plays with everyone.		
Herman Amurov Y2	Herman is good at gymnastics, history, football & music. He has a lovely smile.		
Tala Dawson Y3	Tala is hopeful, helpful., always ready & respectful. She is a brilliant role model.		
Gian Marco Lulili Y4	Gian Marco is the best goalkeeper. He is funny, kind & makes good choices.		
Momo Zhou Y5	Momo is creative & amazing at art. She is kind-hearted & trustworthy.		
Mason McCrink Y6	Mason is thoughtful, selfless & determined. He is a great house captain.		

X	writers of the week	
Name	Reason	
Olanna Okafor YR	For writing beautiful CVC words all by herself.	
Emily McKiernan Y1	For super presentation & independent writing. Well done!	
Oscar Harrison For excellent presentation of his recour		
Joe Kornas Y3 For excellent sentences in a non-fiction report & trying hard with his presentation.		
Kelani Da Costa Y4	For beautiful handwriting when completing her water cycle glossary.	
Annabel Cooper Y5	For a beautiful letter sharing the feelings & emotions of her characters. Well done!	
Danny Breslin Y6 For an enthusiastic book review, includir writing about a key character.		

Birthdays

We love celebrating the children's birthdays in school and try to make a fuss of them on or near their birthday. If you want to send in something for your child's classmates for their birthday (and there is NO REQUIREMENT TO DO THIS), please make sure it is something small, in a package that can be sent home at the end of the day. Please be mindful that we have children in school with food allergies and some who are vegetarian/vegan. We never want any child to feel left out of celebrations, so please check with the class teacher before sending any food in to school.

Worship in School

We moved things round a little bit this week and had our class worship time on Thursday instead of Tuesday. On Monday we moved Worship to 10.50am so that we could spend two minutes in silence at 11am on Remembrance Day. Mrs Lockett played her trumpet to signal the start and end of the time where we all sat silently thinking about people who fought and died in wars long ago and those involved in conflict now. The Year 6 children recited a poem beautifully and the whole Worship was extremely respectful and reflective.

On Tuesday Rev Catherine joined us and talked about David & Goliath and although David was very small, his faith in God helped him overcome the giant Goliath.

Book Fair

There will be Book Fair in school on Friday 29th November and Monday 2nd December straight after school in the hall (or outside classroom weather dependent). There will be a variety of books to choose from and all sales will generate extra money for school (and possible Christmas presents for you!).

For the event to run smoothly, we are requesting that all purchases are by cash. Many thanks.

Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed their flu vaccination on Tuesday, you can arrange an appointment with the School Nurse Team—01253 951984—at their catch up clinic. Please note that GPs are unable to provide the flu vaccination for children who missed out at school., however at their discretion, they may do this if your child has an underlying medical condition.

Communication

Hopefully, you all received a paper copy explaining which method of communication you should receive and when to expect it and also an email with the same information and a more detailed sheet. The second sheet contains two tables showing communication methods between school and home (in both directions). It is a lot of information, but I hope it was useful for you to see what we do and why and the different ways you can contact us. If you did not receive it, please check your junk folder or pop into the office and ask for a paper copy (and check that we have the right email address too).

Future Dates				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>	
Fri 22 Nov	All day	Non-uniform—bottles of anything	All	
Fri 29 Nov	All day	Non-uniform—unwanted gifts	All	
Fri 29 Nov & Mon 2 Dec	3.15— 3.40 pm	Scholastic Book Fair in the school hall (possible Christmas pressies!)	All	
Mon 2 -Fri 6 Dec	All week	Y6 Enterprise Week Creating items to sell at the Christmas Market	Y6	
Fri 6 Dec	9.05am	Friday Family Worship— change of time	All	
Fri 6 Dec	3.30- 4.30 pm	School Christmas Market	All	
Mon 9 Dec	PM	Nursery, YR,Y1 & Y2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal No Parents	KS2	
Tues 10 Dec	2 pm	Nativity Performance Nursery, YR,Y1 & Y2 Ticket letter sent out	EYFS &KS1 Parents	
Wed 11 Dec	12-1pm	School Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumper Day	All children	
Wed 11 Dec	6.30pm	Nativity Performance YR, Y1 & Y2 (No Nursery)	YR & KS1 Parents	
Thur 12 Dec	2.30pm	Rock Steady Concert For children who have lessons	Invited parents	
Thur 19 Dec	2pm	Church Service	All	
Thur 19 Dec	3.10pm	Break up for Christmas	All	
Mon 6 Jan	8.45am	School reopens	All	

Open Day

Thank you to our wonderful parent helpers who served teas and coffee to the parents looking round and chatted to them about life as a Scotforth parent - you were brilliant! However, the stars of the afternoon were our amazing Year 6s who gave guided tours of our school. The feedback from the parents was extremely positive with some giving scores of 11 or 12 out of 10! We were all very proud of them. Well done Year 6s.

Scot4All Autumn Raffle

Don't forget to return your raffle tickets to school by this Monday, 18th November for the draw on Friday 22nd. Please return any unsold tickets but if you want more, just ask at the office.

Celebrating Life in School

Two of our Worship Team travelled to Clitheroe with Miss Huddleston to take part in the Blackburn Diocesan Christian Worship Conference. The children were great ambassadors for the Team and school and found it very interesting.

Y6 have been finding out about the difference between voltage & current by testing various equipment for any differences if the voltage changed.

Y3—Take a look at their class blog for a great performance of the poem 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin' as part of their new English topic.

Reception children have been looking & talking about the toys they played with in the past and have made new toys of their own.

Y4 have been finding out about the water cycle—they definitely know where it finishes given today's weather! For more information on school life, visit the class blogs at: Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School (scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk)

Parking

Since Mr Cocker has been more visible on the corner of Scotforth Road and Addle Street, there has been an improvement, with no parents parking on those yellow lines. Please make sure you are mindful of parking on other roads in the local area and do not park on yellow lines or wavy white lines. School staff have no legal standing when approaching drivers and we have requested support from the police (who may turn up unannounced). If you see anyone parking illegally, please ask them to move (if you are comfortable doing that). Alternatively, you can report them to the police - with or without a photograph of the vehicle.

General Reminders

<u>Absence:</u> please call the school office by 9.30 am at the latest if your child is not going to be in school that day.

<u>Sickness/Diarrhoea:</u> if your child has had an episode of either of these, please remember they cannot come back to school unless a minimum of 48 hours has passed without them having another episode.

<u>School Dinner Money:</u> please ensure dinner money is paid in advance and not arrears. If you are not registered to use Scopay, please ask at the school office.

<u>Un-named Belongings:</u> any un-named /un-readable items will be kept for a maximum of 2 weeks and then disposed of.

Christmas Market Donations

Many thanks to everyone who brought in donations for the chocolate/sweet stall. Don't forget next week is full bottles of anything—and you don't have to donate something every week.

Trophies

Please can all children who received a trophy at the end of the Summer Term in Church, return them to school by **Monday 9th December** in order for them to be presented to new recipients. Thank you.