

Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School.

Newsletter— 17th May 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

Our Christian value for this half term is TRUST

Time to Shine	
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Zahra Ahmad Y1	Zahra is a good friend. She is kind & good to have around. She has a pretty name.
James Taylor Y2	James has a good imagination. He is kind, polite, funny, brave & a good role model.
James Sowerby Y4	James works hard. He is resilient & independent. He is hilariously funny & smiling.
Apostle Antwi Y5	Apostle cheers others up. He is great at athletics & football. He tries hard.
Teddy Wood Y6	Teddy is a good listener. He knows lots about computers & a video game expert.

Reminders
<p>Water Bottles: Following on from last week's information about water bottles, after half term only clear, named water bottles with sports type lids will be allowed in classrooms. Please ensure you have one ready for your child to bring into school. Screw top bottles are not allowed.</p> <p>Parking: I am disappointed that some people are still parking inconsiderately and in an unsafe manner. Please remind anyone who drops off or picks up your child from school not to park on double yellow or wavy white lines.</p> <p>Karate: Don't forget, there is NO karate on Thursday 23rd May.</p> <p>Class Photos: If you intend to order through school, please ensure you bring your order in by Tuesday 21st. This is also the deadline for online orders.</p> <p>Dinner Money: Dinners should be paid for in advance and not arrears.</p> <p>Lost Property: Please name belongings otherwise it is very doubtful you will get it back. All items in the reception area will be disposed of next week.</p>

Year 6s
<p>Words cannot express how proud we are of our Year 6s this week. They have faced their SATS with determination and positivity and we know that they have done the best they possibly can. They now have lots of other exciting projects for the rest of the term including the play, a couple of trips and the leavers' service in church on Thursday 18th July at 1.15pm. They may also all wear their leavers' hoodies from now until the end of the school year.</p>

Worship in School
<p>This week we have been catching up with lots of stories about how People of God, from the Old Testament, trusted God. Samuel was the first person and we discovered how God talked to him and he trusted God, listening to what He said. This was particularly true when choosing the King of Israel, David, who was young and not tall and strong. The children knew that when David grew up he trusted God in the battle against Goliath.</p> <p>On Wednesday, the Year 6s chose songs for us to sing in Worship and we sang with gusto!</p> <p>On Thursday, Rev Rebecca introduced us to Elijah and explained how he needed to trust God to look after him when he was hiding from King Ahab. Elijah was very surprised when God sent food with ravens. He also trusted God when helping a lady and son with their food.</p>

Certificates on Fridays
<p>Once all children in each class have had their "Time to Shine", we will start giving out Handwriting and Presentation certificates to children who are really focusing on these aspects of their writing. They may be given for improvement or consistency. These certificates cannot be decided in advance, so we will not be able to always invite parents to witness these being shared. We will, however send home an example of their writing and their certificate for you to celebrate with them at home.</p>

Punctuality & Attendance
<p>The DFE have directed schools to take action in order to improve attendance and punctuality in school. We want to work with parents to do this and would ask that your child is in school everyday, unless they are so ill that they can not learn (48 hours off is still compulsory after sickness and diarrhoea). The gates open at 8.45am and all children should be in class by the time the bell goes at 8.55am. If you arrive after the bell sounds, your child will be considered late and we need to record a reason for this lateness. If they arrive before the bell and then dawdle on the way to class, they may also be recorded as late. Please encourage them to get to class as soon as they can, once here.</p> <p>If your child is absent from school, please remember to let school know by 9.30am via the school office rather than the class teacher.</p>

Future Dates

Date	Time	What	Who
Mon 20 -Thur 22 May	Through -out the day	Pedal and Scoot	YR, Y1 & Y2
Fri 24 May	3.10 pm	School closed for half-term holiday	YN-Y6
Mon 3 June	All day	Inset day (closed to children)	All
Tues 4 June	8.45am	School re-opens	YN-Y6
Weds 5 June	6pm	New Reception Evening	2024 intake
Fri 14 June	PM	Peter and The Wolf Concert (details to follow)	Y5 & 6
Tues 25 June	All day	Transition Day (Ripley, Central & Our Lady's)	Y6
Tues 25 June	AM	Move up Morning in school & New Reception Starters	YN-Y5
Weds 26 June	6pm	Parents' Meeting. Learning to be a good learner—what does this mean? & School Improvement Plan	All Parents
Weds 3 July	6pm	Lockerbie Meeting	Y5 Parents
Weds 10 July	PM	Y6 Play (provisional date)	Y6
Thurs 18 July	1.30pm	Leavers' Service in Church	All
Fri 19 July	9.10am	Awards for YR-Y5 in Friday Family Worship	All
Fri 19 July	3.10pm	Break up for summer	YN-Y6
Tues 3 Sep	8.45 am	School re-opens	YN-Y6

Celebrating Life in School

Y6 escaped the classroom (but not revision!) on Monday when they took their books out into the sunshine for a maths lesson. Wednesday was a lot more fun when they played cricket with Coach Regan. On Thursday afternoon they had an 'End of SATS' celebration and received their hoody.

Y4 have been learning about different angles and made the most of the dry weather to investigate various shapes in the playground and copy the angles with their bodies.

Y3 also made the most of the weather when they tried out their air powered rockets!

Y1 have been combining nature with computing and finding out all about plants. They have also had fun making their own printing blocks in the style of Orla Kiely.

As always, to see the life of school in pictures, go to the school blog: [Blog | Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School \(scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk\)](http://Blog | Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School (scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk))

Online Safety

This week we have the final part of balancing screen time for KS2 children. Take a look for tips and ideas on how to help your child, and perhaps yourself, on how to be aware of the time spent in front of a screen.

Child's Car Seat

Does anyone have a good quality child's car booster seat that they no longer need? It must be 'i-Sized' and have a label showing a capital 'E' in a circle and R129. We would be very grateful if anyone could donate one to school.

Class Trips

There are many trips (local and further away) being organised for the second half of the Summer Term - please watch out for emails from class teachers. Sports' Days are currently being discussed - when we have dates, we will let you know.