



Newsletter— 8th December 2023

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 PEACE

★ Time to Shine ★	
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Isabelle Quinn YR	Isabelle is always happy & ready to help. She is kind & a good friend.
Evie Tunnickliffe Y1	Evie is very creative & is good at singing & dancing. She is helpful & a best friend.
Holly Heald Y2	Holly is understanding & a good friend. She is brave & resilient & hilarious.
Dominic Boyoni Y3	Dominic is amazing & a superhero. He is a good friend & always happy.
Annabel Cooper Y4	Annabel is independent, resilient & always calm. She cares for nature.
Iris Cope Y5	Iris is good at football & dodgeball. She is smart, polite, a good friend & very kind.
Xavier Lamb Y6	Xavier is good at every sport. He is a future comedian. He always tries his best

Christmas Production - Tickets

Tickets have been given to the children to bring home—please check bags if your child hasn't mentioned it to you! There are a limited number of tickets available for the Wednesday afternoon performance but not for Tuesday.

Christmas Class Parties/School Lunch

Children can come in party clothes for their class party. A £1.00 /child donation towards the cost of the class party would be much appreciated for Y1-Y6 and 50p for Nursery/Reception. Class parties are:
Nursery/Reception : Tuesday 12th in the afternoon
Y3/4: Thursday 14th in the afternoon
Y5/6: Tuesday 19th in the morning
Y1/2: Tuesday 19th in the afternoon

On Wednesday 13th, Christmas School Lunch, children can wear a festive top and hat (usual active wear uniform bottom). Christmas Dinner will have a vegetarian turkey option.

Christmas Fair Donations

Many thanks for the donations received last week for the Christmas fair—your support is greatly appreciated.

Worship in School

On Monday we talked about God's big story and how peace and the nativity story fits in. There has also been lots of Christmas singing throughout school.

Friday Family worship next week (15th) will be at 9.10am and will be the last one of the term.

Celebrating Life in School

It has been Enterprise Week for Y6 and they have been busy baking, making and creating for their stalls on Friday. Many, many thanks to the parents who volunteered to help them.

Dodgeball has been a theme this week—a group of children were invited to play glow dodgeball at Lancaster University on Tuesday. Y3, 4 & 5 had a great time on Thursday playing Christmas Dodgeball in school and gained useful tips on teamwork and tactics.

Y5 have been busy making 3-d masks linked to their current topic of Africa whilst Y4 have been practising French Christmas words and making decorations.

Y2 have been honing their cutting skills in preparation for their Christmas decorations. Reception have been learning all about the different seasons.

Rehearsals are ongoing for Don't Be Afraid—it's all coming together!

For more information and to see what else is happening in school, visit the school blog: [Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School \(scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk\)](http://scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk)

Don't Be Afraid—Costumes

Requests from classes have been sent to parents but as a reminder:

Nursery: red, black or white tops & dark trousers
Reception: white top & dark trousers

If you have any spare gold/silver tinsel, please could you donate it to Reception as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Y1: various animals to choose from—sheep, cow, donkey, horse, camel or bird

Y2: main characters—please check your child's bag if you haven't seen a letter

Please ensure the children bring in their costumes to school on **Wednesday/Thursday 14th December.**

Thursday Football

Football: Football with Coach Dan **WILL NOT** take place on Thursday 14th December. He has offered to run it on Tuesday 19th as well as Thursday 21st December. If you are unable to come to the Tuesday session, please let the office know.

Wanted!

Does anyone still have a daily/weekly newspaper? If so, Y3 would very much appreciate any once they have been read. Any donations can be left at the school office. Many thanks.

Future Dates

Date	Time	What	Who
11 Dec	Afternoon	Carol Singing at Chirnside House	Y6
13 Dec	Lunch	School Christmas Lunch	YN-Y6
14 Dec	1.15-3pm	Extra Open Afternoon for Reception entry 2024	New Parents
17 Dec	Am/pm	Removal of the temporary classroom—the A6 will be closed whilst this takes place	Users of A6
19 Dec	6.15pm	Don't Be Afraid performance	Early Years & KS1
20 Dec	2pm	Don't Be Afraid performance	As above
20 Dec	Afternoon	Carol Singing at Ashton Manor	Y6
21 Dec	1.30pm	Church Service	All
	3.10pm	School Closes for Christmas	All
8 Jan 2024	8.45am	School re-opens	All
	1.30pm	Grand Opening of EYFS Unit	All
9 Feb 2024	3.10pm	School closes for half-term	YN-Y6

Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion have informed us that this year your fantastic support collected £163.74 and have asked that we thank you all for your continuing support.

Trophies

There are still a number of trophies yet to be returned. If your child received a trophy at the end of the Summer term, please return it to school as soon as possible if you have not already done so. If you have misplaced/damaged it, PLEASE LET US KNOW as soon as possible. Thank you.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair last week. A total of £835.00 of sales was made which means school will have £400.00 back to spend on books.

Books can be purchased by parents via the Scholastic website

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/scotforth-st-pauls-cep/digital-book-club>

For every £1 you spend our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

Online Safety

Many of you will no doubt be buying electronic toys/computer games as Christmas presents. The attached leaflet has some really good tips on how to set up apps, games and software safely.

Term Times 2024/25

The term and holiday pattern for 2024/25 is now available to view on the school website.

Grand Opening Invitation



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Scotforth St Paul's Primary & Nursery School

You are invited to the Grand Opening of
Our new EYFS Unit and Reception Area

at

Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary & Nursery School
On Monday 8th January 2024

On the playground at Scotforth St Paul's
Scotforth Road
Lancaster
LA1 4SE

By ex pupil and local Artist, Chas Jacobs

1.30pm

Followed by refreshments in the school hall.

RSVP by Friday 15th December 01524 65379, admin@scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk or bursar@scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk

All members of our school community are welcome. We would really appreciate cakes (labelled and without nuts or kiwi) for the refreshments—shop bought or home-made. We would also appreciate any help in serving the refreshments to our guests. If anyone can help, please let the school office know. Many thanks.