

Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School.



Newsletter— 8th March 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 COMPASSION

Time to Shine	
Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Sophie Lloyd Y5	Sophie is compassionate, generous, an animal lover & includes others. She always tries hard.
Daniel Stoyanov Y4	Daniel is always cheerful. He has a big heart & is a good friend. He tries really hard.
Lydia Johnstone Y3	Lydia is a brilliant classroom helper. She is funny, giggly & super smiley. She always tries her best.
Maita Mwanyisa Y2	Maita is independent & resilient. She is a good friend. She is good at drawing.
Oscar Harrison Y1	Oscar is Kind, helpful & always smiling. He is good at fixing things. He is a good footballer.
Rose Elizabeth Jose YR	Rose Elizabeth is always happy. She is a good friend & listener. She is really good at PE.

Worship in School

This week we have continued to look at the big picture and have listened to stories about lost things - a coin and a lamb. The Worship team, once again, led Monday's Worship brilliantly and we thank Rev Catherine for joining us on Thursday.

Celebrating Life in School

This week has been focused on books and reading which culminated in World Book Day on Thursday. Thank you to parents for their support sending the children dressed as a book character. We had various quizzes around school and the older children read to the younger ones. There was a competition for the best hard-boiled egg decorated as a book character and congratulations go to :

YN Joshua W Y2 Isabella Mc Y4 Kitty
 YR Theo B Y3 Vienna Y5/6 Atticus
 Y1 Leo M

who all receive a book token for their innovative designs.

Take a look at all the great pictures on 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)

Communication

We are aware of some discussions amongst parents about communication from school, so I thought I should clarify what we do and why.

Our weekly newsletter is the main method of communication and within this we always have a date section so that even if we do not have full information, you can "save the date". We try to give you as much notice as possible about upcoming dates, however when things change, we will email everyone and send text messages (which we try to do as reminders close to events). We do not send text messages all the time, as these are costly to school. When I remember, I will put a reminder on the SCOT4ALL Facebook group about events, however this is just a back-up and should not be relied upon.

In general, we have moved to online communication rather than paper copies of the newsletter and other letters. This is for a number of reasons:

- savings - time and money
- it goes directly to parents (rather than letters being left in bags and not shared)
- if your child is ill, you will still receive a letter on that day

We do appreciate that some letters have signing slips and this may prove problematic if you have no access to a working printer. If this is the case, please email the office on bursar@scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk and/or admin2@scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk with your answer or collect a paper copy of the letter from the office to complete or write a quick note with all the information on it and send it into school.

Please read the newsletter, other letters and emails from school carefully and you should have all the information you need. For special events posters and flyers are also attached to the newsletter and also posted on the office door, hall door and classroom windows. Look out for the new noticeboard at the entrance to school which we will be using from next week which will have details of all school activities. **If you are ever unsure about anything, please ask.**

Future Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Who</u>
Fri 15 Mar	All Day	Non-uniform day	YN-Y6
Wed 20 Mar	6.40-8.15pm	Lancaster Children's Music Festival	Y4
Fri 22 Mar	6-7pm	Easter Bingo Night	All
Wed 27 Mar	Lunch	Easter Lunch - See attached	YN-Y6
Wed 27 Mar	1.30pm	Easter Service in Church	YN-Y6
Thurs 28 Mar	3.10pm	School closes for Easter	YN-Y6
Mon 15 Apr	8.45am	School re-opens	YN-Y6
Tues 16 Apr	All Day	Maths Day (invited children)	Y3/4
Fri 26 Apr	TBC	Class Photos	YN-Y6
Mon 6 May	All Day	School Closed—May Day Bank Holiday	YN-Y6
Fri 10 May	TBC	Singing at the Mayor Making Ceremony	Y4
Mon 10 -Thurs 16 May	AM	SATS Tests	Y6
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

Parents' Consultations

Thank you to all parents who attended on Wednesday. We always want to work with parents in order to help children to achieve their full potential. If we need to talk to you about anything between this Parents' Consultation and the next, we will be in touch. If you hear nothing, please presume that all is well. As always, if you need to contact us about anything, please email your child's class teacher.

Easter Bingo

Don't forget to your tickets for the Easter Bingo on Friday 22nd March. Slips were sent out earlier this week with the children. If you didn't get yours, a copy was attached to last week's newsletter and also to this week's. If you can't print it off, just copy the details on a piece of paper and bring it to the office.

Easter Lunch/Fish 'n Chip Thursday

There will be a special Easter lunch on Wednesday 27th March—details attached. The lunch can be ordered on the day, the cost is £2.50. As school finishes on a Thursday Fish 'n Chip Friday will be on Thursday 28th instead.

The Olive Branch

Please see the poster on the follow up email from The Olive Branch asking if families can donate an Easter egg as a treat to families who are finding it difficult at the moment.

Online Safety

This week's guide is all about Smartphones with advice on how to set them up and use them safely.

Non-Uniform Day

Don't forget it's Non-Uniform day next Friday 15th March. Please bring in any donations of chocolate for prizes for the Easter Bingo the following week. Many thanks.