

Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School.

Newsletter— 21st 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

Celebrating Life in School

We have made it to the end of what seems to have been a very long term! There has been so much happening in the last few weeks we are sure everyone is ready for a well deserved break—from the intensive Ofsted inspection to the wonderful Christmas production of Don't Be Afraid to end the term with. Well done to all the children and staff who have put lots of time and effort into making it a huge success. Y6 have been out and about singing carols and bringing Christmas cheer to residents in our local care homes and had a surprise visit from Father Christmas as well! Y1&2 and Y5&6 had their Christmas parties this week. The children have been finishing Christmas cards and decorations to bring home. To know more about school life visit: [Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School \(scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk\)](http://scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk)

Future Dates

Date	Time	What	Who
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
19 Feb	8.45am	School re-opens	YN-Y6

Road Safety

If you are waiting to come into school in a morning, please wait either on the path or in the Y1 area. Please do not let your child play with any equipment whilst waiting. We had a near accident on Tuesday morning when a ball was thrown into the road. Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you very much from all the staff for all the lovely Christmas cards and presents! Have a great Christmas!

Online Safety

If there comes a time over Christmas where all the tech overwhelms you, take a look at the advice on this week's online safety leaflet—it might save your sanity!!

Worship in School

Worship was slightly different on Monday, we sang some lovely Christmas songs and then the children who have music lessons with Penny performed for the rest of school. It was a wonderful end to our topic of Peace. Our usual Christmas service takes place in church to celebrate the Christmas story and to present the end of term awards. For a list of recipients, please see page 2 of the newsletter.

Reminders

Christmas Holidays: Don't forget that school is closed on Friday 22nd December to pupils and will re-open on Monday 8th January at 8.45am.

Change of Details: If any of your details, eg phone number, address, change over the holidays, please let school know as soon as possible in order to update your child's records.

New Uniform: Please ensure that any new uniform, personal belongings are named prior to the start of the new term—should they be misplaced, we can return them.

Dinner Money: All dinner should be up-to-date at the end of term. If there is an outstanding balance at the start of next term, you may be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child until it has been settled. Lunches are £2.50/day, £62.50 half-term & £72.50 for the full term.

Grand Opening: Don't forget it is our Grand Opening of our new EYFS Unit & Reception on Monday 8th January 2024 with a ribbon cutting ceremony by Chas Jacobs. All members of our school community are welcome to attend. We would really appreciate donations of cakes (labelled and without nuts or kiwi) for refreshments - shop bought or homemade. We would also appreciate any help in serving the refreshments to our guests. If you can help, please let us know on the morning.

Attendance

Our aim is for 96% attendance over the whole school and this term we have achieved an impressive 96.55%!

YR	97.1%	Y4	97.5%
Y1	97.4%	Y5	96.1%
Y2	95.6%	Y6	95.9%
Y3	96.3%		

Keep up the good work!!

AWARD WINNERS AUTUMN 2023

	R	1	2	3	4	5	6
READING	Theo Brown	James Watts	Mabel Ellis	Rosie Britton	Arin Hama	Riley Smith	Monty McKenna
WRITING	Emily McKiernan	Emily Out-Larbi	Bella Sowerby	Amali Jeremiah	Eliza Pugh	Julieta Lopez	Grace Aspinall
NUMERACY	Marcus Huang	Finn Whiteley	Tala Dawson	Locryn Mellor	Ida Davey	Finn Brown	Gigi Couchman
EXCELLENCE	Annie Discua-Pyne	Yasmin Yu	Hannah Norcross	George Edmondson	Louis Fagan	Chloe Knowles	Elijah Long
CREATIVE ARTS	Skye Holmes	Ella Larbi	Rishon Manoj	Eliza Slater	Amelia Jane Ludlow	Apostle Antwi	Xavier Lamb
SHINING STAR	Alfie Wiener	Ola Siddig	Amelia Hylton-Lambert	Gian-Marco Lulli	Luke Waine	Sebastian Manoj	Ella Jackson

After School Clubs/Activities

Monday: 12.00- 1.00 pm Athletics Y5/6 (lunchtime) Free

Tuesday: 3.15—4.15 pm Tag Rugby Y5/6 Free

Wednesday: 3.15– 4.15pm Dance Ys 2/3/4&5 Free

12.00-1.00pm Girls Football

Thursday: 3.15—4.15 pm Football with Coach Dan KS2 (5 weeks 11 Jan-8 Feb) £25.00

3.15—4.15 pm Karate with Andrea KS1&KS2 (contact school for more details)

Letters for the above clubs have gone out this week— check bags!

