

Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School

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

Jesus (the gardener) nourishes and tends us as we learn and grow, so that we can all flourish. As a vine, we are one, but all unique and special to Him. We care for each other, as God cares for us.



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Celebrating this week in school

Our final thoughts around Justice this week were about treating all people fairly and making sure we do not think about anyone's wealth, power, friendship to us, gender or anything else that could prevent us from challenging injustice. We talked about treating others as we would wish to be treated and only saying things to others that we would like to hear. And thought about this bible verse —



Some classes have been finishing off their units of work this week. Year three have certainly enjoyed their DT topic this term. They designed, made and evaluated their own sandwiches. Take a look on our blog - <u>Sandwich making | Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School (scotforth-st-pauls.lancs.sch.uk)</u> Year two went on a trip around the local area to finish off their geography work and Year one finished their RE topic about Harvest and the Jewish harvest of Sukkot.

We were very proud of our football team this week. They competed in a football tournament yesterday and did not lose any of their games. They managed to not let any goals in either. They finished in second place, but what was even more pleasing was the teamwork they showed and the encouragement to each other and other teams too. Thank you to Mr Hammond for taking the children, we are all very grateful – especially the team!

<u>Upcoming Important dates (please watch out for emails from teachers about class specific dates)</u>

- 21.10 INSET day (First Aid Training) school closed for the children
- 31.10 School Reopens
- 09.11 Individual children's photos
- 10.11 Open Afternoon for prospective parents and Cake Stall after school
- 18.11 Non-uniform Day please send in chocolate or wine for the Christmas Fair
- 01.12 SCOT4ALL AGM in school @3.30pm
- 09.12 Christmas Fair including Y6 Enterprise Stalls (more details to follow)
- 13.12 Early Years and KS1 Christmas Play 9.15am
- 14.12 Early Years and KS1 Christmas Play 6.45pm
- 14.12 Flu vaccinations 9.30am
- 16.12 Church Service 1.45pm, then school closes for Christmas

Please keep checking this list of dates as more will be added as we go through the term. We will try to give you as much notice as possible for any that involve parents – **new dates/information in bold**.



Time to Shine



Name	Teacher's & Children's Comments
Yasmin Yu YR	She is a good friend, shares, reads good stories to her friends
Stanley Makinson Y1	He is kind, he plays with his classmates and makes them laugh, cares for animals,
Gian Marco Lulli Y2	He is a good friend, always has a smile on his face, a good runner
Kitty Smith Y3	She is kind, friendly, helpful, doesn't break school rules, likes Harry Styles
Summer Yan Y4	She is kind, helpful, the best friend ever, smart, clever
Corban Crane Y5	He is a good friend to everyone, a fast runner, works hard, good at football, funny
Franki Wood Y6	She is creative, kind and loyal, always tries her best,

Information and Reminders

Thank you to all the parents who joined us on Wednesday for our Parent Consultation day. I hope that you found it useful. Please be reassured that we will contact you if we have any concerns between now and the next consultation in the spring term. Likewise, if you have concerns or anything we need to know about in order to support your child, please get in touch with the class teacher via email.

Please join our SCOT4ALL Facebook group, if you have not done so already. It is used to share messages, not only about SCOT4ALL events, but also information from school. You will need to search for the group and then request to join — answering a simple question to ensure you are linked to the school.

Community Questionnaire—School Trim Trail

November. Many thanks for your help.

We are currently applying for Lottery Funding to help us to provide a Trim Trail. The majority of the time it will be for the children in school, however in order to secure the funding we do have to open it up to the wider community. This would be done in the same way as we hire the school hall in order that we fulfil our safeguarding requirements. We would therefore be grateful if you could complete the attached questionnaire and return to school by Tuesday, 1st

School Lunches

The new menu for Autumn and Winter is now available and will be sent on the information email. Please take a look with your child and you may decide to have a hot dinner during the winter. The cost is £2.40 per day payable in advance.

School Library

If you can spare half an hour at lunchtime, between 12.30 and 1.00pm to help our enthusiastic librarians, we would really appreciate it. Our Y6 reading champions invite children from other classes to come in and use the library. They look through books, read to them and talk about stories. It is a lovely time to share books and the Year 6s are so keen to be able to open the library every day. They do, however, need adult supervision. If you can help, please let us know. If you would like to then stay and help in the afternoon in a class, again, please contact us. Some parents have volunteered to help, but more would be helpful! Many thanks.

Dorrington Woods

As you are aware, we are trying to get out more and visit the woods. FODWPP have contacted us with the following information. If any parents/family can help, then this would help us on our visits to the woods.

Hello

The boundary between Dorrington Woods and the allotments is insecure and there have been a number of break-ins, thefts and vandalism over the last few years. The Allotments Association is responsible for the fence and have researched many options for this, most being far too expensive. However, they have decided to install Heras fencing panels along the boundary to increase security.

The work will start this Saturday. There are some overhanging branches which will need cutting back, and some minor clearance, together with digging out places for the supports.

If you would like to help with this work, or just want to come to the woods to sweep leaves off the path, and other light work come along on Saturday at 10.30 and look for us along the fence line. Bring gloves, spade, loppers, secateurs, rakes or brushes if you have them.

Once the fence is installed and tree work completed we can look to plant nice prickly shrubs and climbers along the fence to make it look better and provide added security and wildlife habitat. FODWPP

Poppy Appeal

We will again have the Royal British Legion poppies, slap bands, bracelets and zip poppies for sale after half-term. This year there is no set price but based on last year's prices a suggested donation for the slap bands would be £1 and the other items 50p.

Year 6

Please can Y6 children bring in a trouser/skirt coat hanger after half term for an art project. It needs to be the square type with two clips rather than the rounded shirt style hanger.

Thank you

We are very sad to be loosing Mrs Gargan from our Welfare Team. Although her last day is officially today, she is going to come in on Tuesday after half term to say goodbye. Mrs Gargan will continue in her role as cleaner. We will be welcoming Mrs Tang & Mrs Patelas our new Welfare Assistants after half term.