



Easter Newsletter

Wishing you a Happy and Holy Easter

Holy Week

Mass Times in Billingham

**Palm Sunday—Mass at St John's Church
Vigil Mass, 5pm on Saturday**

**Mass at Holy Rosary Church, 10am on
Sunday**

**Maundy Thursday—Mass of the Lord's
Supper at St John's Church, 7.00pm**

**Good Friday—Celebration of the Lord's
Passion at Holy Rosary Church, 3.00pm**

**Holy Saturday— Easter Vigil at St John's
Church, 8.00pm**

**Easter Sunday— Mass at Holy Rosary,
10am**

**'Happy Easter! May you bring to all the joy
and hope of the Risen Christ!'**

Pope Francis

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

We end another lovely term at St Paul's with gratitude for all those who help make our school such a special place. School life is always busy, and in the rush of the days, the weeks and the months, it is often easy to miss the many wonderful things that happen. So it seems fitting, that as we approach the wonderful, gentle beauty of the Easter season, we take a moment to pause and reflect on the goodness that surrounds us, and seize the opportunity to renew and refresh ourselves.

The children have worked exceptionally hard this term and it was a real pleasure to be able to share their work with you at the Parents' Meetings this week. There was a lovely 'buzz' around school! Thank you for your attendance and kind words.

I would like to sincerely thank everyone who continues to support our school—governors, staff, parents and carers, and a special thank you to Fr Butters for his continued support of our school and parish.

*Wishing you all a happy and holy Easter
Sheena Sinclair—Head Teacher*



Summer Uniform

Children may wear summer uniform after the Easter holidays —weather permitting!

Red checked dress / grey cardigan/
sweatshirt

Grey trousers / shorts / skirt / white or blue
polo shirt/sweatshirt

Please avoid buying opened toed sandals as they can pose a health and safety risk. Can you please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled.

Please remember that trainers should only be worn with PE uniform.

Jewellery and nail varnish should not be worn at school.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

**We return to school on
Monday 17h April 2023**

Friends of St Paul's (FOSPs)

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Silver Smarties and Easter Raffle Fund Raising Events. You helped raise £500 with the Silver Smarties and £315 for the Easter Raffle. Your generosity is much appreciated and helps us to provide much enrichment to our school curriculum. Raffle prizes have now been distributed and the names of the lucky winners are on display at various points around school. Please do consider coming along to the meetings the Friends have if you possibly can. There are some great events coming up in the Summer Term where we will need some extra help. You will always be welcome and any support is always gratefully received.

Many thanks again!!

Important Dates for the Summer Term:

**May Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May
Bank Holiday for the Coronation: Monday 8th May**

Half Term—Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June

**Y6 SATS week: Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th May
Year 2 SATs: May 2023
Y4 Multiplication Check: Fortnight commencing 5th June
Y1 Phonics Screening Check: w/c 12th June**



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He is Risen

Online Safety

We hope that you found our new, monthly online safety newsletter useful. There are some spare copies in the porch if you didn't get one. From April, we will email it directly to you and add it to the online safety resources on the website. FOSPs have funded the subscription for this, supporting us to help you stay well informed to keep your children safe.

Lenten Acts of Charity

Our Mini Vinnies have been really active making sure that their motto "Turning Concern into Action" is lived out.

We raised nearly £100 to send to CAFOD for their "Big Lent Walk" campaign and collectively walked 500km—amazing! We also sent a huge contribution to Billingham Food Bank

Thank you also for your support and generosity.



Faith in Action

Our Y6 Faith in Action team enjoyed leading our whole school Stations of the Cross as part of our Lenten journey of faith. They did a wonderful job, and the children responded in a thoughtful and reverent way.



Safety at our school

The safety of our school community must remain our first and most important priority. We pride ourselves on ensuring our school building and surroundings are safe, implementing safe procedures in school, including teaching the children how to keep themselves safe. One of the biggest concerns at the moment is the safety of the children at the beginning and end of the school day. There are several children who are running ahead of the adult they are arriving or leaving school with, and this could lead to a collision or a child getting lost. At school, the children learn that they need to move around in a particular way, to keep themselves and others safe. Please reinforce this message with your child.



They must stay close to the adult they are with and stay on the path. Adults must also ensure they park safely if they are travelling by car. Once again, the lane is regularly congested and dangerous.

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE STAFF CAR PARK OR THE LANE.

If your child brings a packed lunch to school we request that you ensure that a healthy meal is provided. Fruit and/or vegetables should be included. A small biscuit or cake can be included but sweets and chocolate bars are not allowed.



Products containing nuts MUST NOT be included e.g.: Nutella/peanut bars