



24th June, 2025

Dear Parents and Carers and families.

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to share some exciting updates and upcoming changes at St Paul's.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Brocklesby, who will be joining our teaching team in September 2025. She will be teaching in the Nursery class four days a week, with Mrs Craft teaching on the remaining day.

We are also delighted to share that Mrs Williams, our Early Years Lead, will be taking on the role of Reception Class teacher from September 2025. Mrs Williams will work closely with Mrs Brocklesby to ensure that all our Early Years children receive the very best education and a smooth, supportive start to their learning journey.

More Than Dance – A Special Visit to St Paul's

We are delighted to welcome our Diocesan dance group, More Than Dance, into school today and tomorrow. They will be working with every class to explore this year's Jubilee theme, *"Pilgrims of Hope,"* through scripture, dance, and prayer.

This enriching experience offers our children a unique opportunity to engage in creative prayer, helping them to reflect on their faith in a joyful and expressive way.

The visit also ties in beautifully with our upcoming Jubilee Pledge Day on Friday, when we will join Catholic schools across England and Wales in exploring how we can each contribute to building a world rooted in love, peace, and justice.

St Paul's Feast Day & School Pledge – This Friday

This Friday, we will be celebrating the Feast Day of St Paul, our school's patron saint. As part of the celebrations, each class will contribute to creating our school-wide Jubilee pledge, reflecting our shared commitment to building a world of hope, love, and justice.

In the afternoon, children will enjoy a special treat—ice lollies for everyone—followed by an extra playtime to mark the end of a very special week in school.

We are looking forward to a joyful and meaningful day together!

First Holy Communion – A Joyful Celebration

On Saturday, nineteen children from Year 4 and Year 5 received their First Holy Communion. It was a truly joyful occasion and a significant milestone in their journey of faith.

Congratulations to all the children—you prepared so thoughtfully and participated so beautifully during Mass. We are incredibly proud of you.

We hope you and your families enjoyed a wonderful and memorable day together.



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Attendance Reminder

As we approach the end of the school year, we kindly remind all families to continue following our attendance policy and procedures.

- If your child is unexpectedly absent, please call the school office by 9:00am on the first day of absence to let us know the reason.
- For planned absences, including medical appointments or leave of absence requests, please ensure the appropriate forms are completed in advance.
- As a reminder, leave of absence for holidays cannot be authorised and will be recorded as unauthorised absences.

Thank you for your continued support

A Polite Reminder

To help ensure a safe and smooth start and end to the school day:

- School gates open just before 8:30am for Nursery children, and at 8:40am for all other children.
- Please ensure your child stays close to you at all times while on school grounds.
- Children should keep to the paths and walk their scooters or bikes once inside the gates.
- For safety reasons, we kindly ask that children do not play on equipment, climb trees, or swing on the pole near the main gate.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.

Thank You for Supporting Our Sports Days

A heartfelt thank you to all the families who joined us for our Sports Days over the past couple of weeks. Your support, encouragement, and cheers were truly appreciated and helped create a joyful atmosphere for everyone involved.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the events and embraced the true spirit of sportsmanship and celebration.

We are now looking forward to the Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day on Thursday, 3rd July—we hope to see many of you there!

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership.
Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you need to.

Your sincerely,

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