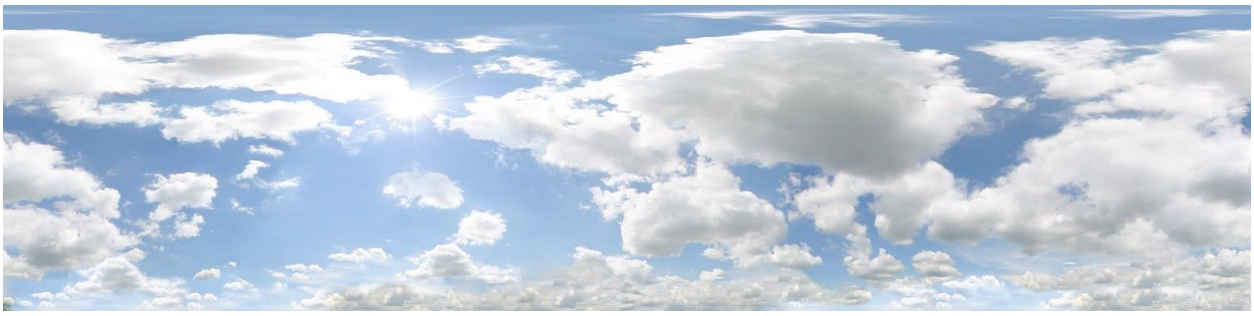
St Paul's C of E Primary School Nelson Newsletter

Love God, Love Ourselves, Love Others, Love Learning



Friday 5th June 2026



Headteacher Message



Hello,

What a wonderful week it has been. It was an absolute pleasure to meet the parents of our new children that will be starting in reception in September. We are really looking forward to welcoming them into our school. They will be attending for their taster days soon. The children have returned to school rested and excited to see their friends after a fun filled half term holiday. Today we have thoroughly enjoyed the Eid parties and the children have loved every minute. Our Golden Book assembly will take place next Monday as opposed to today. We are just finalising the plans for the allocation of classes to teachers for next year so hopefully you will be informed about this next Friday. The children had a visit from Rev Nick from St Thomas' Church and he talked about Pentecost. He used a bottle of diet coke and mentos to aid his explanation which caused a great deal of excitement in the hall, especially when the coke hit the ceiling.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next Monday.

Mrs J Roberts

Headteacher

PTFA Meeting - Thursday 11th June 2026 @ 15:40

We would like to invite parents to attend the PTFA meeting if available to discuss the Summer Fair and other events. If you would like to attend but have children we can book them into the afterschool club while the meeting is being held at no cost (please let the office know if this is the case).

Eid Celebrations



All the children had a lovely party and henna for the Eid Celebrations. We will put some photo's on next week's newsletter of all the activities.

Penguins - Raising School Funds





Before half term, the children in Penguins class grew peas and runner beans. After selling them, they raised £90 and were able to buy some new play equipment for the playground.

Well done Penguins!

Astronauts - Literacy Lesson




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Astronauts enjoyed an immersive Literacy lesson this week. They used their senses to look, smell and touch a variety of objects which might be found in the marketplace in Aladdin. This helped them to write fantastic setting descriptions with lots of excellent noun phrases used to describe what they could see and smell.

Forest School - Astronauts



Children from Astronauts came to Forest School this week. We built shelters and looked at how the trees change through the seasons. We used leaf identifiers to find out the names of different trees.

Year 5 - Forest School

This week, Year 5 were lucky enough to go to Forest School. Some of the children read their legends, which they had written last term around the campfire. Lucky for them, Mr Evans had bought them a little snack to have whilst listening. Thank you Mr Evans for organising the campfire.













Bikability - Week 1



The Year 6 children had a lovely experience learning to ride inside the yard and out on the road. They are now more confident riding and have gained valuable road safety while riding experience. Well done Year 6!













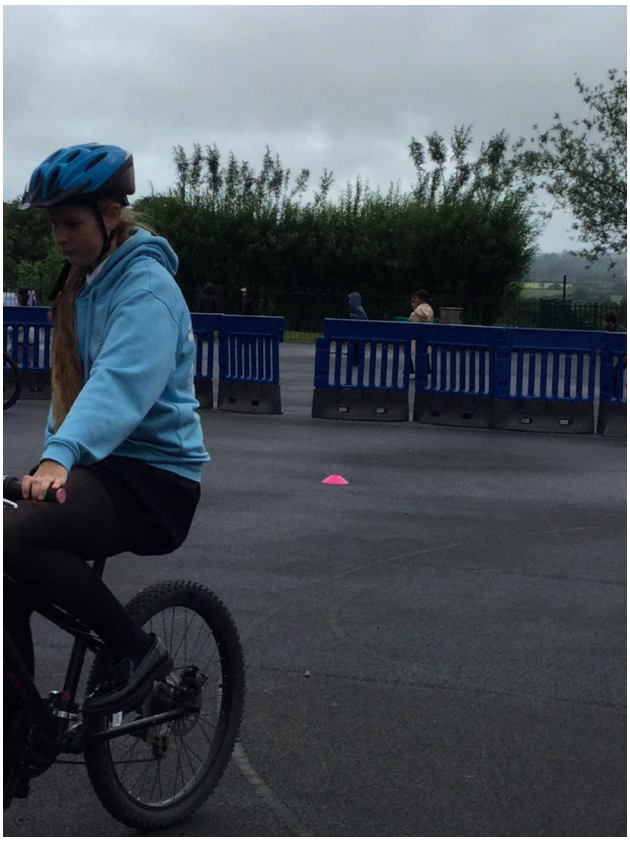













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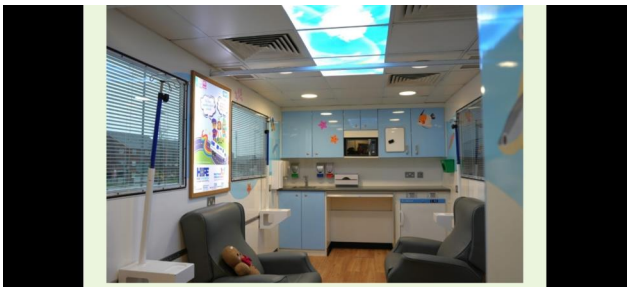




Mobile Cancer Care Bus

Last Friday one of our students Salahman was invited to be the first child to receive chemotherapy treatment on board the new mobile cancer care bus. This is an amazing new opportunity for children to receive treatment closer to home, rather than having to travel to Manchester hospital for every appointment. It was a very special experience for Salahman and so many families will benefit from this amazing new project. He wanted to share this news with all of us at St Pauls!







Reverent Nick - School Worship Assembly





School Values - **LOVE, JOY, PERSEVERANCE, FORGIVENESS, JUSTICE, HOPE, RESPECT**



We would like to remind all parents/guardian/relatives to ensure and uphold our school values. As a church school we believe that kindness can be shown throughout the school, in the playground and even outside the school grounds. We appreciate your cooperation in upholding our values just as all our children do.

Please ensure your child's Admicity Account is set up and complete, with each section confirmed so we can ensure we have the correct information for your child. **Parents can no longer update the dietary or medical sections, but if you need them changing please contact the office.** Thank you

School Attendance





Have you ever thought about why good school attendance is important?

Going to school regularly helps children to build strong habits like time management, routine and responsibility. These are important skills in school and life, and can help to build a better future for your child. Good attendance in school, leads to good attendance in further education and in then in the workplace.

Pupils who attend school regularly, find it easier to develop good friendships. This often means that they go on to have a happier social life and are able to take care of their own wellbeing.

Better school attendance, leads to better attainment. Better attainment leads to better job prospects, better job prospects lead to a happier life.

Attendance record and lessons missed

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- **95% attendance means 50 missed lessons. This means a child missed about 10 days/2 weeks of lessons in the school year.**
- **90% attendance means 100 missed lessons. This means a child misses four weeks of lessons in the school year.**
- **85% attendance means 150 missed lessons. This means the child misses almost 6 weeks of lessons in the school year.**
- **80% attendance means 200 missed lessons. This means the child misses over 7 weeks of lessons in the school year.**
- **75% attendance means 250 missed lessons. This means the child misses about 9 weeks of lessons in the school year.**

How does 'lateness' affect my child?



Being late on a regular basis is often stressful for children, as they can become very self-conscious about entering the classroom.
When a child arrives a few minutes late to school, they miss teacher instructions and introductions.
When a child arrives 10 minutes late, they miss learning time, such as: Handwriting, mental maths or spelling practise.
If your child is half an hour late, they will miss all of the above plus a chunk of maths, literacy or phonics teaching!

Can action be taken against me if my child is regularly late for school?

Yes. Should your child's lateness continue despite efforts to change this pattern a Penalty Notice will be considered. The school could also involve the Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) to complete an assessment and implement a plan.
The process is exactly the same as for Absence and can result in legal procedures.

The school day begins at 8.50am. Your child should be sitting ready to learn at 8.55am



Minutes late per Day	Equates to Days of Teaching Lost in one Year	Which means this number of lessons missed
5 mins	3 Days	15 Lessons
10 mins	6 Days	30 Lessons
15 mins	9 Days	45 Lessons

What **help** can I get with my child's lateness?

Lateness Matter!

When a child arrives late in school it often means that extra time is spent on settling them into class. This can cause disruption and disturb other children in respect of their learning.

It impacts on other children and the adults in school when children are regularly late.



Expecting to be late after 9.00? If you are on your way to school but have been delayed unavoidably then it helps to ring the school office and let them know that your child is coming. In that way adults in class can be made aware to expect them and issues such as lunch can be confirmed.

2026 school Admissions



The deadline has now passed for families to select a preference for a Primary school for all children born between 1st September 2021 - 31st August 2022.

If you have not completed the online application, you MUST contact the Pupil Access team as soon as possible.



- The classroom doors open at 8.50am, with the exception of the Butterflies and Busy Bees, who open at 8.45am. They close at 8.55am promptly. If you arrive after this time, you must take your child to the main entrance and sign them in. Please **do not** knock on the classroom door or try and gain the attention of a member of staff to open the door.
- If for any reason, we have to make the decision to close school - you will be informed as soon as possible via the SchoolApp. Please make sure that you have access to this app, as we use the messaging facility frequently. If you need any assistance with this, please speak to a member of staff from the office.
- Full uniform must be worn at all times, this includes appropriate footwear - not trainers. Trousers, skirts and dresses should be black, with white polo shirts.
- Long hair MUST be tied back at all times.
- Earrings cannot be worn for PE. We are unable to cover earrings with plasters, so any pupils who are unable to remove their own earrings will not be able to participate in the lesson. Any earrings worn in school (not for PE), should be small studs or sleepers.

Dates for the Diary



- Monday 8th June 2026 - Tuesday 9th June 2026 - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
- Monday 8th June 2026 - Bikability Week 2
- Thursday 11th June 2026 @ 15:40 - PTFA Meeting (All welcome)
- Tuesday 16th June 2026 - Year 5 - Leopards Pendle Hill Trip
- Wednesday 17th June 2026 - Year 5 - Jaguar Pendle Hill Trip
- Thursday 18th June 2026 - School Class Photos and Leavers Photos
- Thursday 2nd July 2026 - Year 6 Transition Day - MHCC, Park, Sir John, Fisher-More, Colne Primet Acadamy, Colne Park High School, Unity, E-School
- Friday 3rd July 2026 - Year 6 Transition Day - MHCC, Fishre-More
- Monday 6th July 2026 - Year 4 Trip to Brockholes
- Monday 6th July 2026 - EYFS Sports Day (Morning)
- Monday 6th July 2026 - Year 1 and 2 Sports Day (Afternoon)
- Wednesday 8th July 2026 - Year 1 Keighley and Worth Valley Railway Trip
- Thursday 9th July 2026 - Year 2 Blackpool Circus Trip
- Friday 10th July 2026 - Year 3 and 4 Sports Day (Morning)
- Friday 10th July 2026 - Year 5 and 6 Sports Day (Afternoon)

- Monday 13th July 2026 - Wednesday 15th July 2026 - Year 6 Anderton Centre Trip
- Friday 17th July 2026 - 9:30am-10:30am - Year 6 Leavers Service
- **Friday 17th July 2026 - Last day at school before Summer Holidays**
- **Monday 20th July 2026 - Inset Day (School Closed)**
- **Tuesday 1st September 2026 and Wednesday 2nd September 2026 - Inset Days (School Closed)**
- **Thursday 3rd September 2026 - Return to school**

Upcoming Family Fun Events (Please book on ParentPay to secure your place, as places are limited):

- **Thursday 2nd July 1.15pm-3.15pm - Summer crafts activity for parent and child**

St Paul's Church



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Kind Regards

Jo Roberts

Headteacher