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Our St Paul's Vision For Our Children:

Love God, Love Themselves, Love Others, Love Learning.

Nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God.

Our school Christian values are:

Love, Joy, Perseverance, Forgiveness, Justice, Hope and Respect.

They permeate through everything we do at St Paul's.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 trip to Gawthorpe

Year 5 went to Gawthorpe Hall this week to experience a Victorian Christmas as part of their history learning. They had a great time and Mrs Shephard, one of our governors who volunteered to help out with the visit, informed me that the staff at Gawthorpe were really complimentary about the children's behaviour. We frequently get told that our children have exemplary behaviour on school trips and that always makes me proud. Well done children and well done staff and parents who promote good behaviour.

Here's Mrs Schofield's account of the day:

Visit to Gawthorpe Hall – A Victorian Christmas



Father Christmas came to talk to the children about what children in Victorian times could expect in their stockings and to read the poem ‘Twas the Night before Christmas’.



There were so many different ingredients used in Christmas dinner – and the utensils were not what we are used to.



They played games like Christmas corners and Kim’s game to entertain themselves.



We made Cornucopias – and there was a little surprise for everyone when we got back to school – a chocolate coin.



We finished with a sing along with Father Christmas – ‘We Wish You a Merry Christmas’

Good Behaviour at St Paul’s



I have actually been told twice this week about how well our children at St Paul’s behave. That’s not unusual at all. We often receive compliments about our well-behaved children. Staff, mums, dads and carers know that, as well as children trying hard, it’s down to us grown ups working together to ensure the children grow up to be good little citizens. Well done to us all – these children constantly make us proud! As I near the end of my headship here at St Paul’s, I know that’s one of the many aspects of our school which I will remember with pride. Well done children, mums, dads, families and staff!

Fantastic Book Awards



Mrs Rayson runs our “Fantastic Book Awards” reading club with our fantastic year 6 readers. The group had a virtual author visit with the author Alex Atkinson who wrote “Spooksmiths Investigate - The Cinderman” which is one of the books the group is reading. She told the children all about the inspiration for her book, her life as a child and gave out lots of top tips on how to become an author. Alex gave details and spoke about her inspiration for her main characters, she told the children about using their own imagination and having time to think. Mrs Rayson said it was a super interview.

I would like to thank the wonderful Mrs Rayson who runs this book club – and does so much to promote our children having a passion for reading. I also say well done to our Year 6 bookworms – being a reader will bring lifelong learning and joy.

Survey on Childcare

Child Care

The County Council has passed this link onto parents to complete a survey on childcare needed.

https://online1.snapsurveys.com/1e757o

Christmas is coming!



Thank you to all the parents and carers who sent children in Christmas jumpers today, along with a donation for the tombola stall. The Christmas Fair is next Friday.

Community Carol Singing Event

Mrs Felters is organising another community carol singing event this year – see the poster below. Last year's event was a lovely one. I would definitely recommend it!



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 3rd December – Adult Wreath Making (Forest School)

Friday 5th December – Christmas Fair (after school)

Thursday 11th December – Family Wreath Making (Studio Hall)

Thursday 18th December – Carol Service (just children and governors. Sorry, not enough room to invite

Friday 19th December 3.30pm – Break up for Christmas

Monday 5th January 2026 – Inset Day

Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Return to school

Christmas Performances

EYFS – Thursday 11th December (PM – 2pm)

Year 1 – Tuesday 9th December (PM – 2pm)

Year 2 – Wednesday 10th December (PM – 2pm)

Christmas Dinner



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Christmas Parties

EYFS – Wednesday 17th December (AM)

Year 1 – Wednesday 17th December (PM)

Year 2 – Tuesday 16th December (PM)

Year 3 – Thursday 18th December (AM)

Year 4 – Thursday 18th December (AM)

Year 5 – Friday 19th December (AM)

Year 6 – Tuesday 16th December (AM)

Have a super weekend, everybody.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Wood

Headteacher

ST PAUL'S CHURCH NEWS.

For any information regarding St Paul's church and what parents and children can access, please get in touch with Revd Guy on 615888 or guyjamieson@btinternet.com or officelittlemarsden@gmail.com or take a look at the parish website: www.nelsonlittlemarsden.org

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