



### Head Teacher's Message

I hope that everyone has now settled into their new classes and have got back into the school day routine! We have had a very busy half term and are getting up and running with some great new initiatives. Little Wandle and our reading groups are having a big impact on reading throughout school, as is the increased time that are pupils are spending in the library. Our 'pop open a good book' challenge will add to this momentum and generate even further interest in reading for all pupils- let's keep up the good work together!



### Welcome to 'The Well' - our warm space

We are happy to announce we will be offering a 'Warm Space' for parents, carers and members of the Wibsey community a place to come for a warm drink, help and support or a friendly chat, use of cooking facilities to prepare warm meals or apply for help with warm clothing e.g hats, gloves and hooded blankets.

The Well is a **symbol of community**. In ancient times, 'the well' was both symbolically, and often literally, located at the centre of the community. From the Well, the community drew water, the basic sustenance for life. At St Paul's we would like to be able to support those who need it through these challenging times so the sessions will run every Monday and Thursday from 3:15pm to 4:15pm and will be held in our new space located in school.



### School Meal Price Increase

Due to the increasing associated costs of producing school meals we have been notified the daily price will increase to £2 per pupil from the 31/10/22.

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190, provided they are not receiving Working Tax Credit
- the 'Guaranteed' element of the State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income threshold of less than £7,400

Apply online at:

<https://www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals/>



## Macmillan Fundraiser/Open Morning

Thank you again to everyone who attended our recent Reading Open Morning and contributed to our fundraising in aid of Macmillan Cancer research.

We received lots of great feedback from the day and were very proud of all of our pupils.



## Table Top Sale

We are hoping to hold a table top sale on Saturday 19 November 2022 but currently have only a few requests for stalls. If you would like a stall to sell your crafts, goods or pre-loved items please contact Miss Moore by Monday 31 October 2022.

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## Year 6 Frisbee Tournament

Congratulations to our Year 6 Frisbee team who were the overall winners of the Sporks UK Frisbee tournament this week held at Bradford University.

A total of 8 schools competed and our team of St Paul's pupils won every match!

Three players from our team also received additional recognition for their sportsmanship and skills on the day.



## Twitter

As well as our school website and ClassDojo account we now also have a school Twitter account for families to keep up to date with school news.

Search for St Paul's Primary School Bradford, @StPaulsBradford



## Attendance

We are finishing this half term with an overall school attendance of 92.69%

The class with the best overall attendance is Y6 with an overall attendance of 95% followed by Y4 & Y5 with 94%, Year 2 & 3 with 93%, Reception class with 90% and Year 1 with an overall attendance of 88%

We have 67 pupils who have maintained 100% attendance so far this school year!

From the start of the next half term the class with the overall best attendance each week will have the opportunity to play our new St Paul's Attendance Monopoly Board Game. Classes will have the opportunity to win awards such as extra play time or juice and biscuit treats .



## PE Kit reminder

We continue to have some children wearing incorrect uniform for PE. All children are required to wear either black or navy tracksuit bottoms, a family hoodie and a white t-shirt; shorts can be worn in the warmer weather. If you require any assistance ordering a family hoodie please speak with Miss Moore; we can also arrange a payment plan to aid with the cost of purchasing a family hoodie if required.



## Break time snacks in school

**Parents/Carers are reminded we are a nut free school.**

**Any products containing nuts which are brought into school will be taken for safe keeping in the office.**

Please be mindful of food which can contain nuts as a 'hidden' ingredient. These include:

- Chocolate spread
- Cereal bars
- **Baked goods:** Cookies, candy, pastries, pie crusts, and others
- **Trail mix**
- **Chili and soups:** Peanuts or peanut butter are sometimes used as thickeners.
- **Grain breads**
- **Honey**
- **Mortadella:** This Italian ham may include pistachios.
- **Sauces :** These may include barbeque sauce, hot sauce, pesto, gravy, glazes, or marinades.
- **Salads and salad dressing**

### Packed lunches

Children who prefer to bring a healthy packed lunch can continue to do so. Please can we remind parents that fizzy drinks are not permitted in school, however, diluted juice or squash and water are allowed. We also kindly ask that packed lunches contain only **one** small bar of chocolate **or** a biscuit and no sweets.

Please remember your packed lunch and morning snacks should not contain any items containing nuts as we are a 'Nut Free School'.

### Mid-Morning snacks

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a healthy snack each break time.

All children within school can also bring their own healthy snack for the morning break. This could include, fruit, vegetables, cheese cubes, low salt popcorn or hummus with breadsticks/ low salt crackers. Children are not permitted to bring crisps, sweets or biscuits/buns for morning snack.

## School uniform donations

We are continuing to collect items of uniform in good condition which can be sold or passed onto other families within school.

If you have any items you can donate please bring these to the school office.

Thank you





## Bags 2 School



We are pleased to announce that we have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise some additional school funds.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising school funds it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag we will provide shortly – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <http://uk.bag2school.com/> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from school on Friday 02 December 2022. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the school playground during morning drop off and help us have a really good collection.

## Dates for your diary

### November

- 03 Flu Immunisation catch up session
- 04 Whole school Rainbow day
- 07 School nurse visiting Reception class for heights and weights check
- 08 Plumber Drummer visiting school
- 09 Individual pupil photographs
- 14 Parent consultations in school 4:15-6:15- (additional information to follow)
- 15 Parent consultations in school 3:15-6:15- (additional information to follow)
- 19 Table top sale



### December

- 02 Bags2School
- 08 Christmas Fayre
- 08 Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day





**St Paul's C. E.  
Primary School**

**Christmas Fayre**



**Thursday 08 December**  
**3:20pm to 5:30pm**

**Craft stalls**  
Personalised children's  
Christmas gifts for sale

**Live performance from  
the school choir**

**Christmas treats**

**Santa's Grotto**

**Refreshments for  
sale**

**Tombola's**

**Raffle**

**New and 'nearly-new'  
school uniform for sale**

**Games and  
competitions!**

**....and much  
much more!**

**Santa's Secret Shop**  
Pupils can pre-buy a £4 or £6  
vouchers to then choose and  
wrap a gift from our special  
shop.

**Entry £1.00 per adult**  
*(includes entry into the raffle, a  
beverage and a mince pie)*

**Entry tickets and vouchers to spend in our Santa's secret  
shop will be available to buy via Parentpay from Tuesday 01  
November 2022.**

**Tickets to visit Santa in his Grotto can be bought by sending  
£2.50 in cash to school clearly marked with your child's name  
and class.**



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