



St. Paul's  
C.E. Primary School  
Together on life's great adventure

*'Through the love of God,  
we protect our school  
community. Together we  
trust, hope, persevere and  
flourish on life's great  
adventure.'*

We hope everyone enjoys their half term break,  
we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday  
the 20<sup>th</sup> February.



### Early Help Support

During our 'Let's Connect' Coffee morning this week we were joined by the team from Bradford South Early Help. This team can support families with a wide range of issues such as School Attendance, Parenting supporting, Employment & benefit advice, Mental Health support, Debt support and Counselling services.

The team will be joining us again in school in March to speak to parents in confidence.

In the meantime if you feel you could benefit from support from the

Early Help team please speak to Miss Moore who can arrange an appointment on your behalf.



### Attendance

We are finishing this half term with an overall school attendance of 92%.

The class with the best overall attendance was Year 3 closely followed by Years 6 & 5

We are continuing our additional monitoring of attendance to ensure we are providing the correct support where required to aid pupils to attend school as often as possible, this includes referral to support from the Early Help team.

If you feel you need any additional support with any attendance issues please contact the main school office to speak to Miss Moore



### School Uniform

We continue to have children wearing incorrect PE kits to school. Please be reminded the required clothing for PE days is:

- Navy shorts,(warmer weather) white round neck T-shirt
- Family zipped hoodie
- Plain navy or black track suit bottoms and trainers

Family hoodies can be purchased from <https://maduck.co.uk>, Tel: 01274 410816 or search for Mad Duck Ltd on Facebook.

For any family finding it difficult to afford a family hoodie, please speak to Miss Moore as a payment plan can be agreed to help with the purchase of this.



## News from around school

### Chinese New



**Children in school learnt about the Chinese New Year and enjoyed a fabulous, themed lunch on the 23rd January.**

### Young Voices



**30 pupils from St Paul's travelled to Sheffield arena on the 5th January to join in and sing along with thousands of other primary school children from across the district.**

### Online safety



**Our year 5 and 6 students explored online safety and how to keep safe on the internet.**

### Rainbow Day



**The whole school enjoyed our first Rainbow Day of the new year!**



### Star Awards

**We have awarded many more Star Awards during our Celebration Collective Worship to recognise the achievements of pupils across school.**



## Positive Relationships Policy

Our new Positive Relationships Policy was approved by our board of governors on the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023. This replaces our previous behaviour policy and behaviour management tools used in school including the traffic light system in classes and red behaviour slips.

Parents will now only be contacted regarding their child's behaviour if it is an ongoing concern or is of a serious nature.

To ensure we are also keeping parents up to date with the day-to-day successes of their children, staff will be sending home praise postcards throughout the week to any pupils who have demonstrated excellent behaviour and commitment to their work.

Our Positive Relationships Policy is based around our school values and all members of the school community will aim to demonstrate these values at all times.

The new policy focuses on the use of restorative practice approaches, which build on these values and aim to separate the person from the behaviour; this promotes accountability and seeks to repair any harm caused in a situation.

Feedback was also gathered from the pupils in our Bridge Builders group regarding the policy and we received overwhelming support for the changes and new system of working,

To view the policy please visit the school website: <https://www.stpaulsceprimary.com> > Home > Our School > Policies

If you have any feedback regarding the new policy you would like to share with school, please contact the school office.

Thank you



## Supervision of children during morning drop off

All schools have a duty to safeguard children in their care. Having systems in place to make sure they are dropped off and collected safely is an important part of this.

We have noted a number of children in younger year groups being let out of cars near the school entrance to then make their own way into school grounds and round to their classes.

When children are waiting for classes to open each morning, parents/carers are reminded that they are responsible for their child's safety and welfare.

As there is no staff supervision in the playground during this time parents we ask that all children in Reception class and Years 1 to 4 are brought to their classrooms by an adult or trusted older sibling (Year 5 or above if previously agreed with school staff)

Those in Year 5 and 6 can arrive to school unaccompanied if we have received a signed parental consent form stating this is allowed.

Please speak to the school office if you require further clarity regarding these arrangements.



## Lunch Time Clubs

We will be running additional lunch time clubs after the February half term break for Key Stage 2. Those attending these clubs will also be able to collect Community stamps in their passports. Pupils can book onto these clubs directly with staff in school.

**Book Club-** Mondays 12:30-1:00 Mr Mackinnon

**Collective Worship Crew-** Tuesday 12:30-1:00 Miss Briggs

**Choir-** Thursday and Friday 12:30-1:00 Mrs Kilmartin



If pupils attend the clubs, they will go for lunch at 12:15pm so they can start the club at 12:30pm.



## Vaping on school grounds

We have recently observed vaping in the school grounds and at the school entrances. Smoking, including e-cigarettes are not allowed on any of the school grounds. Please can you respect others and refrain from vaping in these areas. Thank you



## Payments to school

**Advance notice:** Please be aware that we will be using a new system after Easter (April). The change will be that if your child is allocated a place in a club, the payment for the six-week block will be requested in one payment at the outset of the sessions. This system will make it simpler for parents to keep track of payments and will ensure that places are funded, enabling clubs to continue to run. Please bear this in mind when paying for clubs for next half term as paying in advance, if possible, will help with this transition.



## Medicine In School

Please be reminded we can only accept medicine in school if it has been prescribed by a doctor and has a prescription label with name, dosage and date of prescription attached.

We can also accept non-prescribed medicine if this is accompanied by a doctor's note and has been discussed and agreed with the school SENDCO or Head Teacher.



## Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Year 5 swimming lessons will be moving to a Friday morning from the 24<sup>th</sup> February. Please ensure your child brings their swimming kit to school each Friday as we will be leaving at the earlier time 9:30am each week.



## Teacher's Strikes

Please be aware that there is future strike action planned for the following dates: Tuesday 28th February Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March and we will confirm arrangements for these dates as soon as possible should we need to close any classes.

We understand that this situation may be frustrating for our families and thank you in advance for your understanding and support. If you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office and we will be happy to help in any way possible.

Please be re-assured that we are working in line with guidance and will inform you as soon as possible if our arrangements change further.



## Snacks In School

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.

Please ensure the size of snack is not so big it prevents children from enjoying some playtime during their morning break.

Children are not permitted to bring crisps, sweets or chocolate biscuits/buns for morning snack. Please keep sweet treats for packed lunches.

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

## EXTREME KIDS EAT OUT FOR LESS COUPONING AND BARGAINS UK FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2023



**Morrisons** - Kids under 16 eat for free at Morrisons Café when an adult spends £4.99 or more on a meal.



**ASDA Kids Free Hot Breakfast** Between 8am-12pm every day during Half Term no purchase necessary.



**Bella Italia** - Kids Eat for £1 with no purchase necessary until end of March 2023



**Dunelm** - Kids Eat for Free at Dunelm when an adult spends £4 or more at Pausa Cafe.



**YO Sushi** - Kids Under 10 Eat for Free at YO Sushi Between 13th - 24th Feb when an adult spends £10 or more.



**Dobbies** - Kids Eat for Free at Dobbies Garden Centre Cafes when an adult purchases a main meal.



**Sizzling** - Kids Eat for £1 at Sizzling Pub and Grill when an adult meal is purchased.



**Hungry Horse** - Free Kids Breakfast at Hungry Horse Pubs when an adult spends at least £3.49.



**Farmhouse Inns** - Kids Eat For £1 when you sign up to receive their email newsletter on their website.



**IKEA** - Pasta with Tomato Sauce and a soft drink for 95p or any other Kids Meal for £1.50. Available every day from 11am in their restaurants.



**Beefeater, Brewer's Fayre & Table Table** - Two kids under 16 eat breakfast for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased.

**INFORMATION CORRECT AT TIME OF POSTING**

## February half term SPORTS AND DANCE CLUB



YSD

MONDAY  
13TH  
FEBRUARY

THURSDAY  
16TH  
FEBRUARY

Full week Early

Drop off - 8.30am-3pm £45

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## Dates for your diary

- 10 February School closes for half term
- 20 February School reopens
- 21 February Shrove Tuesday themed lunch
- 22 February SATS information meeting for Parents/ Carers 3:20
- 23 February Class Shipley Presentation for parents 8:45-9:15
- 27 February Year 6 Anxiety Workshop
- 01 & 02 March Story teller in school
- 14 March Year 6 Heights and Weights with school nurse
- 29 March School Proms at St George's Hall

