

Attendance

Whole school attendance
(18-11-19 to 22-11-19)

Year	%
1	98%
2	96%
3	98%
4	97%
5	100%
6	99%

What's your attendance grade?

A = 100%	Excellent	
B = 98%	Very good	
C = 95%	Good	
D = 92%	Satisfactory	
E = 90%	Below Average	
F = 85%	Poor	
E = 80%	Unacceptable	



Alive in Jesus

THE MESSENGER

CATHOLIC LIFE



Remembering

During this month of November, we remember those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of peace. We pray for all our family members and friends. May they rest in peace.

Gospel Virtue: Attentive & discerning

Pupils at St Paul's are focusing this term on being 'Attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and Discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

Congratulations to Year 5 who have achieved 100% attendance this week

School attendance from 18-11-19- 22-11-19
Y1- Y6- 97 %
Reception-97%
Nursery 75%

School Attendance from 03-09-19- 22-11-19
Y1- Y6- 96 %
Reception- 96 %
Nursery- 89%

Please ensure your child attends school unless they are too unwell to do so.

Please ensure children are in school by 8.55am at the latest.



Christmas Boutique

On Monday you will have received a letter explain an event that the Friends of St Paul's are running this year. A huge THANK YOU to all families who have already donated items. In order for every child in the school to be given the opportunity to buy a gift for a member of their family we will need to have 204 items! We currently have about 40 so please keep the items coming in order to make this a successful event for the children.

FOSP

A MASSIVE THANK YOU to all of the parents who turned up for our Friends of St Paul's meeting last Friday. I'm delighted to say that we have had a huge increase in the amount of parents who have put themselves forward to help raise much needed funds for the school. Please keep an eye on future newsletters for communication from the Friends informing you of the exciting events they have planned. If you missed the meeting and would like to help support our ever growing team please contact the school office where they can add you to the e-mail group. Let's continue to build this group to help support your children and the school.

A word from Pope Francis 'Mercy is the very foundation of the Church's life. Any every Church be a place of mercy.'

L A T E

Sadly we are noticing an increase in the amount of children who are coming to school late each morning. The 1st bell is rung at 8.45am and the final bell at 8.55am. We aim to have all children in school by 8.45am so that they can have their bagel and start their learning promptly. Every second counts! If you are running late you **must** accompany your child to the office and sign them in giving a reason for lateness. Please do not send your child unaccompanied to the office as an adult needs to sign them in. Mrs Williams will be looking closely at the lates over the coming weeks. As the weather is not beginning to turn it may be an idea to get up 5 minutes earlier to allow you time to defrost the car! We want to thank all of our families who have their children in school and on time every day.

School Admissions 2020/21

Parents/carers of children due to start school in September 2020 should have received a letter from the local authority advising them of how to apply for a reception place online. Applications should be made by 15th January 2020.

Football Festival

On Thursday 21st November, girls from Years 1,2 and 3 went to The Factory to take part in a Girls Football Festival. They spent time with a football coach, taking part in a training session and played some small games against other schools. All of the girls had a great time!

A **BIG** thank you to Francis from Kings Norton Baptism church for providing the children's transport.



Important Notice to All Parents/Guardians

There have been a few cases of head lice reported in school, could parents/guardians please check your child's head regularly and treat appropriately when needed.

Thank you.

The Sun Newspaper - Books for School

The Sun newspaper has launched a 'Books for Schools' campaign which gives primary schools the chance to get a free pack of books worth more than £600! To do this, however, we have to collect 3,500 tokens. The Sun will start printing tokens on Saturday 23rd November and continue until Saturday 18th January. Please send any tokens to the school office. Thank you.



Anti-Bullying Week 2019

It has been a very busy and enjoyable few weeks at school exploring the theme of bullying; how to prevent it and the best ways to deal with it. We hope you have been able to discuss it with your children.

A Big Thank You to all of those children and families who worked hard to raise awareness. The children designed some fantastic posters this year and the class that had the most entries and have won the extra playtime is.....**Year 4. Well done!**

It was great to see so many children wearing their odd socks and buying the wristbands that our School Council sold on behalf of the Anti-Bullying Alliance Charity. Thanks again to all of those parents who also paid their child's theatre money.

Bully's Paradise by the Firehorse Theatre Company was a great success and really helped our children to understand the impact that bullying can have. Here are just a few of the things they had to say about it.

"It was fun! Some people went onto the stage and got a wristband that says, change starts with us"

Ezra YR1

"It was helpful because it told us how to stand up to bullies. If you see someone being bullied, you can help them"

Hollie YR2

"It showed us that if you are bullying someone it can affect their mental health. They can feel lost inside."

Chase YR6

"We learnt that bullies don't always know what it feels like to be bullied. It should stop because people feel upset. It can stop them wanting to go to school."

Courtney YR5

"We loved the production especially when we got to shout action for the start of each scene. It made me laugh when they were changing their hats."

Sam YR3

"We liked it because it showed an example of what it could be like. The Bully did it several times on purpose."

Ian YR4



Dates For Your Diary

NOVEMBER

- 27th November- Parent Consultations
- 28th November - Parent Consultations
- 28th November- Whole School Mass In Church

DECEMBER

- 4th December- Holy Communion meeting 3.20pm
- 5th December- Year 1 Class Mass
- 6th December- Y5, Y6 Waseley Hills 9.15am- 11.45am
- 9th December- Year 4 Christmas craft afternoon- 1.00pm- 3.00pm school hall
- 10th December- EYFS Christmas craft morning- 10.00am- 12.00pm school hall
- 10th December- KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal 2pm (parents invited)
- 11th December- KS1 Nativity Play 9:15am (parents invited)
- 12th December- Year 2 Christmas craft afternoon- 1.00pm- 3.00pm school hall
- 12th December- EYFS Class Mass
- 12th December- Christmas Film night – EYFS & Y1 4.30pm- 6.00pm school library/ Y2 –Y6 5.00pm-7.00pm school hall (parents drop off and collect)
- 13th December- Y1 Christmas craft afternoon- 1.00pm- 3.00pm school hall
- 16th December- EYFS Nativity Dress Rehearsal 10:45am (parents invited)
- 16th December- Y5 Christmas craft afternoon- 1.00pm- 3.00pm school hall
- 17th December EYFS Nativity Play 9:15am (parents invited)
- 17th December- Y6 Christmas craft afternoon- 1.00pm – 3.00pm school hall
- 18th December- Christmas Dinner
- 18th December- KS2 Reflection 4pm (parents invited)
- 19th December- End of term Whole School Mass In Church ALL WELCOME
- 19th Class Christmas Parties and Disco 1.00pm- 3.00pm Classroom and school hall
- 20th December- Congratulations Assembly 9am ALL WELCOME
- 20th December - Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm

JANUARY

- 6th January- INSET DAY
- 7th January- School open to pupils at 8.45am

Thank you for your continued support.
I wish you all a safe and happy weekend.

God bless,

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**Mrs N Damms
Principal**



