



Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2024

Good Luck to the children participating in the Tameside Catholic Schools Swimming Gala this evening and to the Cheerleaders who are competing next Tuesday afternoon.

Year 4 Arts Award Assembly

During the Autumn Term, the Year 4 pupils completed a 'Keen to be Green' Arts Award project, linked to their learning about the Rainforest and the environment with a visiting artist, Caroline Coates. On Tuesday morning, the Civic Mayor Tafheen Shariff, Councillor Andrea Colbourne, Councillor Betty Affleck, Janine Sayers and Tracy Webster from Tameside Cultural Services attended school to present the children with their **Arts Award - Discover** certificates from Trinity College London. It was wonderful to have such a great turn out of Parents too which made it a really special morning.

Well done to all of the children in Year 4 and we love the display that you have created too. Keep a look out for the photographs in the local paper over the coming week too.



Year 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation

The celebration of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will take place for all pupils enrolled on the programme, on **Tuesday 12th March** at 7:00pm in St Paul's Church. Please ensure that you arrive at church in good time before the service starts. Children do not have to wear their uniform for this celebration. Family members are welcome to attend this service and the children will sit together with their families. We ask that you keep the Year 3 children in your prayers as they continue on their journey of faith.

FOSP – Lenten Smarties Challenge

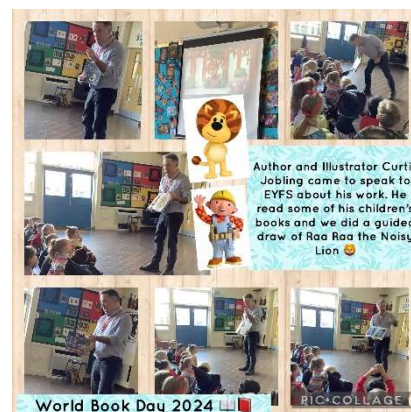
The Friends of St Paul's are organising a Smarties Challenge 'Good Deeds throughout Lent' to raise funds for equipment and resources required for the school. Thank you to those families who have already returned their tubes. All filled tubes need to be returned by **Monday 25th March 2024**. Don't forget all children who return tubes will be placed in a draw to win a fabulous Prize.

The **FOSP Meeting** will take place next **Wednesday** evening in school at 5pm – all welcome.

World Book Day

On **Thursday 7th March** we celebrated World Book Day with a very special visit from author Curtis Jobling.

On Thursday 7th March, we had great fun celebrating World Book Day. We had a mini quiz with Premier League footballers. After that we made our own book tokens which will go into a draw to see who would win £400 for the school and a prize for yourself. We read with our Special Friends and that was lovely because they had brought in their own book from home. Then in the afternoon we had an amazing assembly with Curtis Jobling and he talked to us about his wonderful books. Some of his books have even been made in to tv shows. He also did some awesome drawing of some of his characters such as Bob the Builder. We also had chance to buy a signed copy of his book.
(Ella and Lilah – Year 6)



Year 2 Class Mass

Well done to the Year 2 children who led the readings, prayers and singing at Mass this morning. Thank you to all of the parents and family members who came along to share the mass.



Learning at St Paul's this week

Reception have been busy learning number bonds to 10 in Maths. They have used Numicon to help to visualise the bonds.

Nursery Provision

For September 2024, we can offer 30 funded hours for 3/4-year olds in a teacher led nursery. If you are not eligible for 30 funded hours we can provide afternoon sessions at a cost. For an application form or further information please speak to the school office staff.

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations Year 3 with the highest attendance last week and to Nursery once again for being the most punctual. The overall attendance has improved too which is always good to see. Letters have been issued to Parents of pupils with attendance below 90%.

Attendance & Punctuality for week beginning 26th February 2024									
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Attendance	98%	97.59%	98.4%	94.81%	99.33%	97.81%	98%	95.16%	97.38%
No of Lates	0	1	3	3	1	6	10	4	

Dates for your 2024 Diary	
Tuesday 12th March	TCSSA Cheerleading Competition – pm Sacrament of First Forgiveness at St Paul's Church at 7pm
Wednesday 13th March	FOSP Meeting at 5pm
Wednesday 20th March	Class Photographs
Sunday 24th March	Start of Holy Week
Monday 25th March	Return Date for filled Smarties Tubes
Tuesday 26th March	FOSP – Spring Sing at 3.30pm
Wednesday 27th March	Year 3/4 present The Stations of the Cross – Parents welcome
Thursday 28th March	Break up for Easter Holidays
Wednesday 10th April	Start of the Summer Term
Friday 12th April	Year 4 Class Mass
Wednesday 24th April	Year 5 Class Assembly
Tuesday 30th April	Y3 Family Workshop – Sacramental Programme at 6pm
Saturday 11th May	First Holy Communion – 9.30am at St Paul's Church
Monday 13th May	Start of Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 10th June	Start of Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks Start of Year 4 Multiplication Checks