



Newsletter

Friday 20th September 2024

Learning at St Paul's



Early Years have been listening to the story of creation and have created a beautiful visual display of the story.

**God made our beautiful world and everything in it.
God created the world and said, 'Indeed it is very good'
Genesis 1:3**

Year 6 Bikeability

The Year 6 children spent two days developing the cycling skills needed to stay safe on the road.

Bikeability was so much fun and we

learnt lots! I learnt how to ride with one hand so that I could signal safely. I also learnt what major and minor roads are as well as a primary and secondary positions. Some of the children that couldn't ride a bike at the start, can now!



Written by Bella y6



Friends of St Paul's (FoSP)

The Friends and Family of St Paul's (FoSP) is a dedicated group committed to raising essential funds for our school. We're excited to invite you to our first meeting of the year on **Monday 23rd September at 5pm** in the school. This is a great opportunity to meet fellow parents and grandparents, learn more about what we do, and see how you can get involved.

We'd love to see some new faces and hear your ideas on how we can continue to support our school community. We hope to see you there!

KS2 TCSSA Cross Country

We will be running a lunchtime running club on Monday and Tuesday lunchtime to practise for the event. If your child would like to take part in the lunchtime running club, they will need to bring a change of clothes and shoes suitable for running on grass.

The Tameside Catholic Schools Cross Country competition will be taking place next week. This year, it will only be taking place on one evening, rather than across three evenings like it has in previous years.

Venue: George V playing fields, Ashton, OL6 8JS

Date: Wednesday 25th September 2024

Time: 4:00pm – finishing approx. 5:30pm

Transport arrangements: Collect your child from St Paul's after school and transport them to the playing fields. The children will need to be picked up from the playing fields after the event.

PE kits and suitable footwear to run in on grass will be required for the event. Please ensure your child brings a drink and warm clothing for before and after their race.

During the races, parents are asked:

- NOT run alongside their children/other pupils during races
- NOT to stand at the finishing line as this area gets congested

Jewellery

Please ensure that your child **does not wear** earrings on PE Days. This is to ensure the safety of your child at all times. Only single stud earrings should be worn on non-PE days. If your child has had their ears pierced during the Summer holiday please speak to your child's class teacher and you will need to ensure earrings are covered with tape on PE days, until you are able to remove them.

Year 5 and Year 6 Parents

Thanks to Mrs Gilligan and Ms Fox, Head and Deputy Headteacher of All Saints Catholic College, who came to St Paul's on Wednesday evening.

The ASCC open evening will take place on **Tuesday 1st October** from 5pm to 8pm.

Individual Photographs

Individual and sibling photos have been taken this morning by Adam from myfoto.

- Each child will receive an access code document so that parents can access their private online gallery.
- From this gallery, parents can view and order a variety of photographs, including digital downloads.
- Ordered photos will be delivered either to the school for free or to your home for a delivery fee.
- Digital photos will be sent directly to your email after payment.

Emergency contact details

The office staff are in the process of updating emergency contact details. We ask that if any changes have been made to mobile phone numbers, emergency contacts or home addresses that you complete the online form.

Attendance & Punctuality

We are committed to promoting excellent attendance and punctuality, as these are key to a successful school experience. We've noticed that a number of children have been arriving late this week. Even a few minutes can affect a child's day and their learning. To support your child's success, please ensure they arrive at school on time. If your child will be absent, kindly inform the school office before 9am. Thank you for your co-operation and support in helping our students make the most of their school day.

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Late arrivals	0	3	2	3	1	0	2	4
Attendance	97.18%	93.44%	96.55%	99.23%	93.10%	97.33%	91.88%	96.67%

Year 6 Parents – Admission to Secondary School

All Parents should have received a letter, via email, regarding applying for a Secondary School place. You should apply for a school place through the local authority where you live. You must apply for a place by logging on to <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions/ssa> and the closing date for applications is **31st October 2024**. Any applications received after this date will be dealt with as a late application.

Dates for your 2024/2025 Diary

Monday 23rd September	Friends of St Paul's Meeting at 5pm
Wednesday 25th September	TCSSA Cross Country Event at King George V Playing Field at 4pm
Thursday 26th September	European Day of Languages
Tuesday 1st October	ASCC Open Evening 5pm to 8pm
Wednesday 2nd October	Special Friends Assembly at 9.15am – Reception & Year 6 Parents welcome
Thursday 3rd October	Football Match v Discovery Academy
Friday 4th October	CAFOD – Family Fast Day
Tuesday 8th October	Whole school Mass led by Year 1 pupils – Parents welcome
Wednesday 9th October	Flu immunisation
Wednesday 23rd October	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9.15am – Parents welcome
	TCSSA Tag Rugby
Friday 25th October	Break up for Half-term
Thursday 31st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
Monday 4th November	Return to School
Early November	Online applications open for Reception 2025 places
Friday 20th December	Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 6th January 2025	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 7th January	Back to school – start of the Spring Term

TAMESIDE LIBRARIES

A Green Libraries Week Event

CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS SWAP

and 'Green Halloween'

STORY TIME

WE WANT YOUR COSTUMES!

Donate your pre-loved costumes to any Tameside Library during staffed hours before 2nd October.
 (Donors are entitled to an additional costume).
 Costumes must be in good, clean condition.

12 October

Pick up a costume **10am - 12pm**
 Stories and craft **11am - 11:30am**

Dukinfield Library
 Concord Way, Dukinfield, SK16 4DB

For more info contact:
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 or call 0161 342 4000

