

Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

Parents Evenings

Monday 18th November & Thursday 21st November

Parents meetings, to be held next week, will give you an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher for a 10-minute appointment. We ask that wherever possible children do not attend the appointments with their parents. All parents should sign in at the entrance to the hall where you will be directed to look at your child's work prior to meeting the class teacher. Both Miss Flynn and Mr Allen will be available on the Monday and Thursday should you wish to speak to either of them.

Year 3 Parents – Sacramental Programme

Thank you to those Parents who have returned their Sacramental Programme application form. Parents are invited to an initial meeting that will take place on **Tuesday 19th November at 6pm** in school. This initial meeting is just for Parents. We hope that you will be able to join us at the start of this important faith journey for your child.

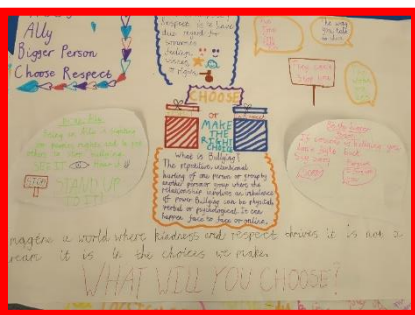
Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week is an important time for our school community to come together and raise awareness about the impact of bullying. This year, the theme is **Choose Respect**. We are focusing on fostering kindness, respect, and inclusion, while encouraging everyone to stand up against bullying in all its forms. Through various activities and discussions, we aim to help children understand the importance of supporting one another and creating a safe, welcoming environment for everyone. Let's work together to make our school a place where kindness and respect thrives. We hope that parents and carers will find the link below helpful in terms of developing an understanding of bullying and how you can help and support at home.



ABW Parents Pack
2024.pdf

During Anti-Bullying Week, children have been speaking about what constitutes respect to others. It's



more than just words: the tone you speak in, the way you look at each other, and your body language to others can make a difference. Although this may not always be bullying our actions mean we can make a difference; we can make the choice to show respect to others.

Frankie, Isaac & Nola (Year 5)

In the Live lesson, we learnt that bullying is a persistent, intentional action that has an imbalance of power. It can happen to anyone at any time. It is important to speak up if you are feeling unhappy.

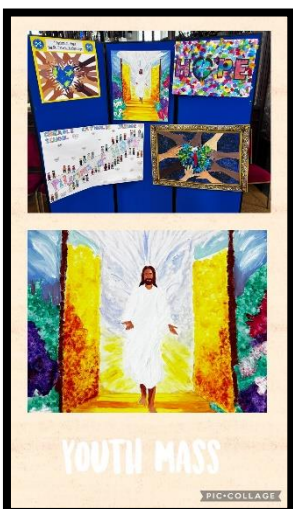
Year 6 Mass

Thank you to the Year 6 children who led the readings and prayers at the whole school Mass on Tuesday morning. The theme of the Mass was remembrance. Thank you to those parents who joined us for the Mass.

Thank you also to the families who have returned a candle – Mr Allen is busy preparing these for display on the Year of Prayer wall in the school hall.



Worship Leaders



The Worship Leaders have had a busy week this week. On Tuesday, we went to Our Lady and the Apostles Church in Stockport for the Shrewsbury Diocese Youth Mass led by the St. Vincent De Paul charity. The children also created some beautiful artwork that we took with us to represent *Doors of Hope* for the Year of the Jubilee. The children were then supported by Youth Leaders from Aquinas College to think about how important their role in school was.

'On Tuesday, we went to Mass to celebrate our youth ministry and to pray for the year ahead. We really enjoyed working with the older children from Aquinas College.' **Worship Leaders**

On Wednesday, the children worked with the Shrewsbury Youth Mission team and they focused on prayer. They discussed who inspires them to prayer and how they can inspire others. They also learnt about different ways to lead

celebrations of the word.

'On Wednesday, we went to St. Mary's Church to celebrate Prayer Leaders Day and we were taught to be the best prayer leaders that we could be. Our Worship Leader badges were blessed and given back to us so that so we could recognise that Jesus was with us each day in

our role as Worship Leaders.' **Worship Leaders**



Friends of St Paul's (FOSP)

The FOSP are currently requesting donations for a colour raffle. We have previously held a very successful colour raffle. All we ask is that you donate items that fit with a colour theme, please see below. Donations can include chocolates, drinks, beauty products or any other new colourful items. We will then parcel the donated items in a hamper and then sell raffle tickets for the hampers. Your generous donations will not only make the raffle exciting but in turn the sale of raffle tickets will enable the FOSP to raise valuable funds for school.

- EYFS – any **red** prizes
- Year 1 – any **green** prizes
- Year 2 – any **blue** prizes
- Year 3 - any **yellow** prizes
- Year 4 - any **orange** prizes
- Year 5 – any **pink** prizes
- Year 6 - any **purple** prizes

Please feel free to send your colourful prize donations in with your child any time from Monday next week.

School Building Fund

Thank you to those families who have already contributed to the school building fund. Voluntary donations are requested from all parents with children in our school. The Fund is of great importance in helping meet the 10% liability on building and major repair projects and managing property, as it enables schools to be able to take advantage of Government funding. The voluntary contributions made by parents in respect of children attending our schools play a vital role in this. If you haven't made a payment and would like to contribute this can now be done through the school spider payments application.

Nursery Places – September 2025

The online form is now open for applications <https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/page/forms/5938> for Nursery places for September 2025. The closing date for applications is **31st January 2025**. Please be aware that we also require additional evidence such as baptismal certificates to accompany your online application. This should be brought to the school office before the closing date in January 2025. Please promote our lovely school with anyone you may know who may be looking for a nursery place for September. Visits to school can be arranged through the school office.

Reception Places – September 2025

The online portal <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions/psa> is now open for applications for Reception 2025. The closing date for applications is **15th January 2025**. Please be aware that we require additional evidence such as baptismal certificates to accompany your online application. This should be brought to the school office before the closing date in January 2025. Please promote our lovely school with anyone you may know who may be looking for a school place for September. Visits to school can be arranged through the school office.

Attendance & Punctuality

Congratulations to **Year 5** with the highest attendance and to **Year 3** with no late arrivals last week. It is great to see a decrease in late arrivals and a slight increase in overall attendance on last week.

| | Nursery | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Overall |
|---------------|---------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Late arrivals | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 21 |
| Attendance | 93.33% | 95.38% | 94.64% | 99.26% | 94.83% | 91.72% | 99.38% | 95.33% | 95.48% |

Dates for your 2024/2025 Diary

Please make a note of any key dates, but please be aware that on occasion dates may need to change

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| Now | Online applications open for Reception 2025 places https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions/psa |
| Now | Online applications open for Nursery 2025 places https://www.st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk/page/forms/5938 |
| Monday 18th November | Nursery to Year 6 Parents Evenings – 3.30pm to 6.30pm |
| Tuesday 19th November | Girls Football match v St James |
| | Initial Meeting for the Sacramental Programme |
| Thursday 21st November | Nursery to Year 6 Parents Evenings – 3.30pm to 6pm |
| Wednesday 27th November | Year 5 Class Assembly – Parents welcome |
| Tuesday 3rd December | School Nursing Team visit to Reception – handwashing & oral hygiene Parents welcome to talk to School Nursing Team with a focus on Toilet Training 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 4th December | Kingswood Meeting for Parents at 3.30pm |
| Tuesday 10th December | Whole School Mass led by Year 3 pupils – Parents & Parishioners welcome |
| Wednesday 11th December | EYFS Nativity at 9.30am – Parents welcome (Ticket information to follow) Key Stage 1 Christmas Nativity at 2pm – Parents welcome (Ticket information to follow) |
| Friday 13th December | Key Stage 1 Christmas Nativity at 9.30am – Parents welcome (Ticket information to follow) |
| Wednesday 18th December | Christmas Jumper Day for Children FOSP Christmas Event |
| Thursday 19th December | Christmas Dinner Day |
| Friday 20th December | Key Stage 2 Carol Service at 9.30am Break up for Christmas holidays |
| Monday 6th January 2025 | Staff INSET Day |
| Tuesday 7th January | Back to school – start of the Spring Term |

The Partnership Engagement Network was set up by Tameside Council, NHS GM Integrated Care Tameside, and Tameside Hospital. It aims to provide a collaborative space to engage with you. We are dedicated to ensuring that your voice is at the heart of developing policies and services, so that we can best meet your needs. More information on PEN can be found here: [About PEN \(tameside.gov.uk\)](https://www.tameside.gov.uk/about-pen)

We are excited to let you know that our next PEN event is on **Wednesday 27th November, 6:00pm-8:00pm**. It is an excellent opportunity to hear about and give your views on:

Transformation Strategy: Tameside Council is developing a new Transformation Strategy. Fundamental to improving services, this Strategy will set out how Tameside Council needs to change over the next 3 years to ensure we meet our key aims and objectives. We are keen to hear your views on whether we are doing the right things to deliver that.

Engagement Strategy: Tameside Council has developed a draft Engagement Strategy for the borough with the aim of improving council engagement with residents, community groups and other partners. Good engagement provides more evidence and insight for service, policy and strategy development, leading to better outcomes for all. We want to know from you whether what we are proposing will achieve those aims or whether we need to do something completely different.

The event will be hybrid, so you can come along in person or attend from home. It will be held in **George Hatton Suite, Dukinfield Town Hall, King Street, Dukinfield, SK16 4LA**.

Registration

Please register to attend via SurveyMonkey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PENSignUpNovember24>

Please select the tickets based on how you would like to attend – in person or online. We have limited capacity for in person tickets, so these will be given on a first-come, first-serve basis. We will send over a teams link closer to the event time for those joining us online.

We look forward to seeing you at our next PEN event. If you have any questions, please contact us at: pen@tameside.gov.uk