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Newsletter

Friday 17th October 2025

Parents and Grandparents are welcome to join us for both the Whole School Mass led by Y5 at 9am on Tuesday morning, and the Y3 class assembly at 9.15am on Wednesday morning in the school hall.

After School Sports Clubs

Please note that due to Parents Evenings there are no after school sports clubs taking place on Monday or Thursday next week. Dance with Lianne will go ahead on Thursday and Friday morning.

New surveys will be sent out next week for the activities on offer next half term.

	Before School	After School
Monday		Y1 & Y2 Multi Skills has now finished
Tuesday		Y4, Y5 & Y6 Girls Football with Mr Allen has now finished
Thursday	Dance with Lianne running until Dec	Y3 & Y4 Tag Rugby has now finished
Friday	Dance with Lianne running until Dec	
	Y5 & Y6 Boys Football with Mr Allen – last session	

Parents Evening

We would like to invite all parents to attend a Parents' Evening appointment on **either Monday 20th October or Thursday 23rd October**. These 10-minute meetings provide an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and to view your child's work. 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 Monday and Thursday should you wish to speak to either of them.

Appointment bookings can be made via the **Arbor app**, and slots will be available to book until **noon on Monday and Thursday morning**. Apologies for the initial issues arising through the new booking system for some parents.

Phonics Information Evening

We would like to invite you to our upcoming **Phonics Information Evening** on **Tuesday 21st October** at 5.30pm, designed to give you valuable insight into how we teach phonics and how you can support your child's reading journey at home. This session will be led by Mrs Speck, Reading and Phonics Lead.

During the session, we will cover:

- What phonics is and why it's important
- How phonics is taught in school
- Strategies and resources to support your child at home

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the foundations of early reading and ask any questions you may have. We strongly encourage all Reception and Key Stage 1 parents to attend.

Corpus Christi Catholic Academy - Parent Director Vacancy

Thank you if you have already cast your vote. If you haven't yet voted, please read the candidate statements in the letter sent to you and make your vote using the link provided. Please do not try to vote again if you have already voted. The ballot closes on **Friday 24th October** at midday.



Letter to Parents re
Ballot - 10.10.25.pdf

<https://forms.office.com/e/B4WTJRt5hZ>

FOSP – SPUD Uniform Sale and Collection

Do you have any school uniform items in great preloved condition that your child no longer needs? We'd love your donations to help others while promoting reuse and reducing waste. Come along to grab school uniform at a fraction of the price, help our school community, and support sustainability! Thank you for your generosity.



Black History Month

This October, as part of Black History Month, we're inviting all pupils at St Paul's to take part in a special competition that celebrates this year's theme, "Standing Firm in Power and Pride." In particular, we are going to focus on one of this year's subcategories: **Black excellence in the Arts**.

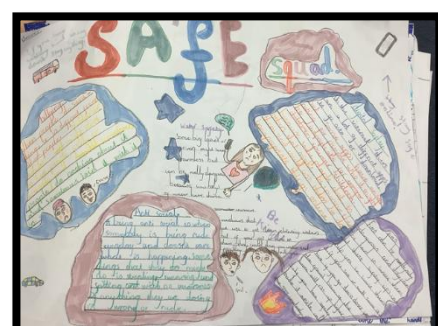
Through poetry, storytelling, music, publishing, and performance, Black and Mixed Heritage artists have reshaped the cultural landscape. Their voices gave rhythm to resistance, joy to communities, and pride to a nation. We honour those who used creativity as a tool for change — speaking truth, preserving memory, and inspiring new generations to find power in expression.

At St Paul's, we are proud to already reflect this rich diversity within our curriculum. Throughout the year, children learn about influential Black and Mixed Heritage artists, authors, musicians, and historical figures across subjects including English, Art, Music, and History. Now, we'd love to see our pupils' creativity shine. Children are invited to submit a piece of artwork, writing, or performance that reflects the theme. One winner will be chosen from EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 — each receiving a special prize!

Entries should be submitted to class teachers or sent to admin@st-pauls-hyde.tameside.sch.uk before the **3rd November 2025**.



Year 6 Safe Squad by Oscar T and Louis



On Wednesday, we learnt lots to keep us safe. First of all we learnt lots about staying safe online like how to avoid grooming and how we don't need to desperately get lots of followers; we definitely shouldn't give personal information. In personal safety, we learnt not to be rude to anyone who has a different personality. If boys want to wear make up they can, everyone can be themselves. In the CPR sessions, we learnt to check for somebody's response and if that isn't there, we know what to do. We should always contact someone while doing CPR.

Year 5 and 6 Bonfire Night Safety Talk



Yesterday, the Fire Service came in and we learnt how to be safe on bonfire night and why it is so important that we shouldn't play with fire. We learnt why it is so important that we don't make fake calls.

Written by Sophia and Virtue



Attendance & Punctuality

We are making great progress with attendance as all classes to date have attendance above 95%. **Year 5** continue to be the most punctual attenders with the fewest number of late arrivals so far this year. The school day starts promptly at 8.55am and it is important that **all children** are in class ready for the start of the school day. Thank you to those families who do always ensure that their child arrives at school promptly for the start of the school day – it really does make a difference to their learning.

Attendance so far this year	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
	97.7%	95.2%	95.2%	96.2%	97.3%	96.6%	96.9%	97%	96.8%
Punctuality so far this year	1.9%	0.84%	2.0%	1.9%	1.7%	1.7%	0.21%	2.6%	1.6%

Dates for your 2024/2025 Diary	
Monday 20 th October	Parents Evenings – 3.30pm to 6.30pm
	FOSP Drop Off day for Uniform in the School Car Park between 8.45 – 9am and 3pm and 3.15pm
Tuesday 21 st October	Whole School Mass led by Year 5 – all welcome
	Phonics Information Evening for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Parents – 5.30pm
Wednesday 22 nd October	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9.15am
	FOSP SPUD Pre-loved Uniform Sale starting at 3pm
Thursday 23 rd October	Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Dance Performance for Parents at 8.10am
	Parents Evenings – 3.30pm to 6pm
Friday 24 th October	Non-Uniform Day in return for a donation to the FOSP
	Closing Date for CCCAT Parent Director
	Break up for Half-term
Friday 31 st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
Saturday 1 st November	Online applications open for Reception 2026 places
Monday 3 rd November	Return to School
	Closing date for Black History Month Competition
Monday 10 th November	Start of Anti-Bullying week
Tuesday 11 th November	Whole School Mass led by Year 6 – all welcome
Wednesday 12 th November	Nasal Flu Immunisations for Reception to Year 6
Tuesday 25 th November	Initial meeting for Y3 Parents regarding the Sacramental Programme
Tuesday 16 th December	FOSP Christmas Event
Friday 19 th December	Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 5 th January 2025	Staff INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th January	Return to school – start of the Spring Term

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FRIENDS OF ST. PAUL'S AUTUMN EVENTS



COFFEE AFTERNOON

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER
FROM 2.30PM
SCHOOL MAIN HALL



New parents, grandparents, and familiar faces can come along for a cuppa and chat as a welcome to the St. Paul's school community.



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE

DROP OFF DAY:
MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER
8.45-9.00AM & 3.00-3.15PM
SCHOOL CAR PARK



BIG SALE DAY:
WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER
3.00PM - 3.30PM
SCHOOL HALL



Donate your preloved school uniforms and help us to promote reuse and reduce waste.



INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

We'd love for you to be part of FOSP! Even if you're unable to attend meetings, you're always welcome to volunteer at our school events — every helping hand truly makes a difference.

Your contribution helps create memorable experiences for our children, strengthens our school community and fundraise for school incentives. If you'd like to get involved or learn more, please speak to a FOSP member — we'd be delighted to hear from you!



NON-UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Get ready to swap your school uniform for your favourite outfit!



For just £1, children can come dressed in their own clothes.

All donations should be given to the class teacher on the day.



CHRISTMAS EVENT

TUESDAY 16TH DECEMBER

Further details to follow soon!

