Reception Class Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23rd October 2026

This week...







- ✓ It has been **Pumpkin Week**!
- ✓ We retold 'We're going on a pumpkin hunt' using actions and a story map. We know this story really well and can tell it all by ourselves!
- ✓ In Drawing Club we read Christopher Pumpkin's story and talked about how it's ok to be different and how not everyone likes the same things. We drew Christopher and our dream castles.
- ✓ We have loved exploring the real pumpkins outside and making our own (pretend) pumpkin soup, based on the story Pumpkin soup!
- ✓ We hammered golf tees and pins into pumpkins, using real hammers! We then had to work hard twisting them out! We also enjoyed putting elastic bands on pumpkins, seeing how many we could fit on and then timing how quickly we could get them off! Fantastic funky finger skills!
- ✓ We have been enjoying lots of pumpkin crafts practicing our brilliant scissor skills and painting skills. Our inspirational artist was Yayoi Kusama, who loved all things polka dot!

Next week...

- We will be on half term holiday!
- Please practise your new reading books or phonics activities. Practise your flashcards in your phonics pocket.
- Please look after everything in your reading bags. Keep it all safe in the clear reading bag.

Jobs for the weekend!

- Practise getting dressed and undressed – we will begin to use PE kits after half-term.
- Share your books! Information on library books and phonics books have been sent home.

You can email photos of your weekend adventures to: admin@cdatstpaulsprimary.co.uk

Diary dates:

School closes for half term on 23rd October.

School Reopens on Monday 2nd November.

Reminders and other info

- Remember to order your child's school dinner via School Grid.
- **Please add names to ALL items of clothing.** It is very important that children can find their own belongings.
- **Water bottles to be brought daily.**
- Please ensure all contact/medical info is up to date with the office.

Have a wonderful half-term break!

Mrs Owen and Miss Webster

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