

# St Mary & St Paul's CE Primary School

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## Headteacher's Message



It is hard to believe that a whole school year has passed already – so much has happened in the past 10 months and the school has continued to grow both in numbers and academically.

The past few weeks have been really busy with a number of trips and activities taking place - our final sessions with Littlefoot outdoor activities; the Prescot Choir Festival and all of the sports days. Thanks to all who came along to cheer on the children and to those who participated in the Parents' Race – there were a few successful runners and a few fallers at the same time.

We will soon be saying goodbye to our Year 6 children who will be leaving us to move on to their secondary schools. I would like to thank them for the outstanding contribution that they have made to school over the past number of years and wish them every success in the future.

This year we have had some flexibility over uniform, particularly on a PE day. A letter will go out regarding uniform in the next two weeks. We will also be led in attendance by the new LA attendance strategy and this will be much more strict regarding absence – especially holidays.

Let me though as ever pass out my thanks and appreciation for the love and support that you have given us this year. As a school we want all children, parents and carers to achieve our vision of "Life in all its fullness through Learning and Love",  
Mr Brooksbank

## Diary Dates



### July

Week of 1<sup>st</sup> July – World of Work Week – we will have lots of visitors to school talking about their jobs and vocations

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Big Sing at Cathedral – Y2 and Y3

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Knowsley School Awards

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Y6 Democracy Day – Whiston

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Secondary Transfer Day (for most)

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> July – Dogs Trust Visit (no dogs though!)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – SS2 Bikeability Sessions

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Parents' Afternoon – Come and see the work that your child / children have accomplished this year.**

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – 5pm – Y6 Performance

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Service

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – End of Term – 1:30pm finish

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – School reopens



### Autism Awareness Day - Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who contributed towards our Autism Awareness Fundraiser day. We raised over £230 which will be split between resources to support children in school and a gift to the National Autistic Society.



### Year 5 – Ormside residential

Year 5 visited Ormside in Appleby (Lake District) for 3 days. They enjoyed a river cruise, local walks, a visit to the farm and the High Ropes activities too. They even managed a little bit of sleep. They all had a fantastic time and were brilliantly behaved too.

### Assembly Theme – Aspire

This half term we have looked at stories throughout the bible with a real focus on how we treat 'one another'. We are also looked at aspirations and how Jesus calls us to aim high, to use the skills we have to make a difference to ensure we reach our potential



*Did you know that children can have 15 hours a week **FREE** nursery provision in our school Nursery once they are 3 years old?*



At St Mary & St Paul's, our teaching is underpinned by Christian values, as we aim to help all of our children to become both successful and thoughtful citizens.

This begins in Nursery Class, where we help our youngest children to learn how to be a good friend, help others and be kind. Learning is through fun play activities – most of the time the children are having so much fun they don't realise that they are learning at all!

Our Foundation Stage is really well equipped with resources that make learning fun – both inside and outside – and our children really enjoy all of the learning that they do.

### **B Tales / Christians in Sport**



This half term we have had visits from The B Tales – Jurassic Adventure. This explained how faith in God and science can sit side by side and how the dinosaurs fit into all of this. Christians In Sport also visited school and worked with Years 4, 5 and 6. They linked sport and faith in Jesus together – and how we can enjoy sport, especially the Euros and Olympics!

### Headteacher's Awards



Shravan (Y4) – Brilliant writing  
Frankie (Y4) – Brilliant writing  
James (Y4) – Brilliant writing  
Fred (Y4) – Brilliant writing

Thanks to our fantastic team of gardeners who have been at work at the allotment behind the Molyneux Drive shops. We have had a bumper crop of strawberries, lettuce and potatoes this year.

### **Social Media**

@StPrescot



### **Celebrating Diversity**



Our wonderful talented artists in Stepping Stones 2 created press prints – inspired by Elmer by David Mckee

### **Attendance**

We recently sent out a newsletter about the importance of school attendance. We hope that it was a helpful read. **TARGET – 96%**

Class	June	Year to date
Rec	93.3%	92.7%
Y1	90.3%	91%
Y2	88.6%	90%
Y3	88.8%	93.7%
Y4	87.9%	91.8%
Y5	90.6%	89.2%
Y6	83.9%	92.6%
SS1	93.1%	92.1%
SS2	82.4%	87%