

St Mary & St Paul's CE Primary School

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Headteacher's Message



A final message at the end of an extremely busy term to say thank you for all your support.

The children have enjoyed their parties, Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day in addition to the choir singing so beautifully at the Mayor's Concert, Tesco, Whiston Hospital and Fazakerley House. I have never seen so many family and friends at the EYFS and KS1 nativity and I am sure that you will agree – they were a huge success. The children sang and performed brilliantly.

It is now time for a break – both for the children and staff – all whom really deserve it after such a long term.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and hope that you manage to spend some time over the break reflecting on the reason that we celebrate. It is all about Jesus and His love for us.

Best wishes from Mr Brooksbank and all the staff at SMSP

Diary Dates

Thursday 19th Dec – Christingle Service 9.10am
Friday 20th Dec – End of Term – 1:30pm

SPRING TERM

Monday 6th Jan – Return to school



Prayer Spaces

Thanks to Rebecca Hooton from the Huyton Deanery for coming to school and leading our Christmas Prayer Spaces activity. There was a specific focus on each of the 4 candles in the Advent wreath. This allowed the children to think about, Peace, Love, Joy and Hope this Christmas.



A visit from the Author – Sean Perkins



It was great to have Sean Perkins back with us as he delivered the signed copies of the books that the children and staff had bought.

Assembly Theme – Autumn 2

These last few weeks we have spent time thinking about Christmas and the real reason for this time of year. It is vital that we don't take Christ out of Christmas.



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.

Headteacher's Awards

Daisy B (2) – Non- Chron Report
Wynter M (2) - Non- Chron Report
Tristan C-C (2) - Non- Chron Report
Archie M (2) - Non- Chron Report
Willow R (2) - Non- Chron Report
Antonia M (R) – Fantastic RE
Aoife M (5) – Amazing science
Dorcas A (5) - Amazing science
Rose M (5) - Amazing science
Skyla W (5) – Amazing science
Freddie Mc (5) – Brilliant RE



Molyneux Drive Forestry Area – Meeting Santa



A massive thank you to Cllr Jo Burke and all of her fantastic team of helpers who allowed every class to visit the forestry area behind the Molyneux Drive shops. The children enjoyed a craft activity, joined in a magic show and then saw Father Christmas. We are extremely grateful to Jo (and team) and her incredible enthusiasm for the community and our school.



Attendance

Please try and ensure that your child is in school every day '**Attendance Matters**'

We have been hit particularly badly by a number of illnesses over the past few weeks. Time for a fresh start in January- please make sure that the children are in school on 6th Jan. TARGET – 96%