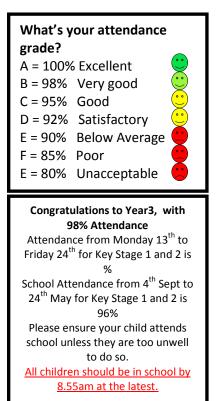
Attendance

Whole school attendance (13-05-2019 to 24-05-2019)		
Year	%	
1	97%	
2	95%	
3	98%	
4	96%	
5	96%	
6	97%	

Year	%
Nursery	81%
Reception	88%

Whole school attendance 4th Sept to 24th May

Year	%			
1	96%			
2	95%			
3	97%			
4	96%			
5	96%			
6	96%			
Year	%			
Nursery	85%			
Reception	91%			



Alive in Jesus THE MESSENGER

CATHOLIC LIFE



This term we pray for our Year 3 children in the parish as they draw ever closer to God through the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. They will receive the Sacrament at 11:00am on Sunday 16th June at St Paul's Church. Please strengthen their faith journey with your prayers.

May is the month of Mary. During this month – try and pray the Hail Mary or perhaps say a decade of the rosary

Curious and Active are our virtues for this half term. Let's all make a really special effort to show these qualities in our lives this week.

A word from Pope Francis "Let's promote friendship and respect between people of different religious traditions in order to build a world of peace."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Be on time...no later than 5 to 9!

We are still having lots of pupils arriving to school late each morning which has an impact on the start to their school day. School doors **open at 8:45am** and **close at 8:55am**. Once the doors have closed, parents are required to walk their children to the office and explain their lateness to the office staff who will record it in the late book. **Please do not send children to the office unaccompanied**. Children will then be given a late card which they will give to their teacher to show that they have been via the office. If they arrive to class late without a late card, teachers will send children back to the office to sign in. All lateness will be recorded on the child's attendance and punctuality record. If your child is repeatedly late, our punctuality procedures will be triggered and you will be contacted. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.



Attendance

If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please call the office no later than 9am so that we can record it. If we don't hear from you, we may complete a home visit to ensure the safety and well-being of your child. We also undertake unannounced home visits for absent children with a history of poor attendance. This week, we visited 7 properties all over Birmingham which took 3 members of staff a total of 2.5 hours. Please work with us to ensure children are in school each day so that they can feel happy and secure in their learning environments.

Learning is the lifelong process of transforming information and experience into knowledge, skills, behaviour and attitudes.

YEAR 6 SUPERSTARS

Our Year 6 children have shown what amazing resilience and perseverance skills they had last week, as they have worked through their SATs assessments. It can be very easy for children to feel overwhelmed during these times yet none of our children let these tests get the better of them – they attacked them with a sense of purpose and a drive to do well. This attitude is fantastic and is a real reflection of the spirit of our children. No matter what the outcomes of their tests are I am proud of all of them. Tests are only a tiny snippet of how much they have learnt during their time at St. Paul's. They cannot measure all of the amazing talents the children have. Thank you to the staff that came each morning to serve breakfast to the children to ensure they were as prepared as they could be. Well done and thank you to all those involved in supporting Year 6 last week.

Year 2 SATs

It is not just our Year 6 children who have been busy battling government assessments this week but our Year 2 children too. All of the children have tackled these with such a wonderful attitude and real maturity and we are all so proud of them!



Times Table Rockstars Competition

On Tuesday 21st of May, eight children from year 4 went to St James' Primary to take part in a 'Times Tables Rockstars' competition. Altogether there where 40 children who competed against each other to see how many correct questions could be answered in one minute. St Paul's did really well and one of the children won a medal for accuracy!

However, we must keep practicing at home as a child from another local primary school managed to answer **114** questions in one minute! Beat that St Paul's!

<u>New Reception Children – September 2019</u>

All parents with children starting at our school in September 2019 should have received a letter this week inviting you to a welcome meeting here at school on Monday 8th July 2019. If you believe your child should be starting reception at our school in September but did not receive a letter please call the office. We do still have places available in our Reception class for September 2019 so please do let those know who are still looking for a place to contact our school office







Miss Concannon was able to receive a free football strip for our school sponsored by the Premier League! We can't wait to get playing in the new kits! Thank you Miss Concannon.



St Paul's Pupil Online Safety Group

This year the school is taking part in the 360 Degree Safe initiative to help ensure pupils access and use the internet safely. The Pupil Online Safety Group has designed a survey to see how we use technology. You too can take part in this by:

- Opening the camera on your smartphone/tablet
- Pointing it at the QR code 'grid' below
- Completing the survey

All surveys are anonymous and would go a great way in helping us understand how we can all keep safe on the Internet. Many thanks from all at St. Paul's Online Safety Group



LOST PROPERTY

Once again we have a mountain of lost property, particularly jumpers and cardigans. If these are not collected by Friday 24th May at 3.30pm, they will be disposed of during the half term break. Lost property will be available for parents to view in the playground on Friday at the end of the school day.



Attention all smokers

We have had a number of complaints about people smoking directly outside our school gates and about the unsightly cigarette ends outside our entrance. Please do not smoke near the school entrance and be mindful of our neighbours. Thank you

HALF TERM

School closes for the half term break on Friday 24th May. It has been a very busy time. We look forward to welcoming your child back to school on **TUESDAY 4th June** for the last half term of this academic year.

Have a lovely half term,

God bless,

Mrs Damms

Principal

VIRTUES

The following children were chosen for demonstrating the virtues of **Curious** and **Active**.

Y1	Lilly-Mae	Y2	Bailey	Y3	Scarlett- Roze
Y4	Jamin	Y5	Delicia	Y6	Tayla- Leigh

SPECIAL MENTION

These children were chosen by their class teachers:

Y1	Rosie & Hollie	Y2	Israel & Serena	Y3	Omar & Kian
Y4	Jewel & Shay	Y5	Shyla & Daivee	Y6	Jacob & Virag



Dates to Keep

- 24th May- Break up for Half Term normal time
- 2nd June- Mass 11am Confirmation and Communion Children to receive certificates
- 3rd June- School closed to students for half term
- 4th June- School open to students 8.45am
- 5th June- Athletic Competition
- 10th June- Year 4,5,6, Rounder's competition 3.15pm- 5.515pm
- 12th June- Sacramental Preparation Holy Communion 3.15pm- 4.30pm
- 14th June- Dan Callow- Whole school Retreat
- 16th June- First Holy Communion at St Paul's Church
- 24th June- Sports Day- KS2
- 3rd July- Nursery and Reception trip- Ash End Farm
- 3rd July- Year 6 Orienteering- Cannon Hill Park
- 9th July- Rounder Tournament- Five ways
- 17th July- Whole school Picnic
- 19th July- Break up for Summer- Finishes at 1.15pm