



St. Paul's Newsletter

Our pupils and all members of our school community encompass, celebrate and live our values by:

Journeying together, The St Paul's Way.

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Lego Morning– Saturday 18th November



Back by popular request– Lego Morning. A free family event this Saturday.

Please bring cash on the day for refreshments and raffle tickets.

First 30 children through the door will each get a FREE gift and all you have to do is turn up!

We hope you will be able to attend and support this event.



All things Christmas...

Nativity Performances

Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 will each (and separately) produce a simple re-telling of the traditional Christmas story.

The performances will be Live in the Hall at 2pm on the following days:

Year 2: 5th December

Year 1: 6th December

Reception: 7th December

KS2 Carol Service

We will gather for our Key Stage 2 Carol service in the church on Thursday 14th December at 6pm.

Advent prayer bags

At the beginning of Advent, children will be taking turns to bring home a purple prayer bag which will contain everything they need to hold a simple reflection at home.

Please support your child in this activity as it is important part of our preparations for the season. The bag contains a guidance sheet for families but please do ask class teachers if you feel you need further help.



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Pairs of children will take turns to bring the resources home and contribute to the class prayer book. Please remember to return it the next day.

Back this year: Carols Round the tree! December 1st 5.30pm

Kick off December in style by coming to join us for a few carols, a hot chocolate and the switching on of our lights on **December 1st!** We will be running a competition for the switch on and have fingers crossed for some live music. Get in the Festive spirit from 5.30pm. Switch on at 6pm
Please bring cash for refreshments



Christmas Fundraising

Christmas Shopping Morning

By far one of the most popular events of the year! We will be keeping most of the adaptations made in recent years but know that the experience for the children will be very enjoyable based on last year's success. For those of you who have not experienced a shopping morning yet, the idea is that the children can buy a surprise gift for family members.

What you need to know about Christmas Shopping 2022:

- Friday 8th December
- All gifts are priced £1 (new for this year)
- Maximum spend £5 per child
- Maximum 5 gifts
- NO cash on the day, pre-paid via School Spider. Children will then be issued with a "credit card" so their purchases can be tracked *
- Please provide **5 gift bags with labels** (as we won't be able to wrap everything this year)

Blind Bags

We will bag up any excess stock from shopping morning and let you buy it for £5— a real bargain. Details to follow when we know what we have.



**All payments via
School Spider App
please!**

Christmas Hamper Raffle

Again a 2023 version of our popular and successful fundraising raffle. We will not be handling cash or actual physical tickets again this year.

Instead you will be able to buy "tickets" via the School Spider App. For each 50p you donate, you will be entered into the draw for a hamper. For example, donate £2.50, receive 5 entries.

You can donate on behalf of family and friends and leave a note as for who they are for and we will organise the tickets. Just email admin@stpaulscatholicprimary.co.uk to let us know what names you want on the tickets.

A live draw will be broadcast on Friday 8th December, which you will be invited to watch via TEAMS. Then we will contact the lucky winners to arrange a safe collection of the hamper from school.

We will be asking for donations for the hampers by holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24th November. Please see the next page of details

Hamper Raffle Donations

We will be asking each year group to donate a different item to support the hampers.

There will be a non-uniform day on **Friday 24th November** in exchange for an item on the list below:

Reception Class: Christmas cakes

Year 1: Mince Pies

Year 2: Savoury snacks

Year 3: Christmas puddings

Year 4: Toiletries/smellies

Year 5: Soft/fizzy drinks

Year 6: Alcoholic drinks

Please check that the items will be in date at the time of the draw and beyond if possible.

Items should be brought in on the morning of the non-uniform day and delivered directly to the classroom door. Please take care with any glass bottles.



Sample hampers above!

The draw will take place at 6.30pm on Friday 8th December via TEAMS

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 369 978 288 026

Passcode: tM9uTL

[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)

Please keep me handy!

Dates for your Diary

November:

Thursday 16th: Nasal Flu Immunisations (YrR-6)

Friday 17th: Year 5 Class Assembly 3.00pm

Saturday 18th: Lego 10-12 morning

**Wednesday 22nd November: Yr R, Yr 1 and Yr 2
cinema trip 10.00am**

**Friday 1st December: Carols Round the Tree from
5.30pm**

Tuesday 5th December: Yr 2 Nativity 2pm

Wednesday 6th December: Yr 1 Nativity 2pm

Thursday 7th December: Yr R Nativity 2pm

**Thursday 14th December: KS2 Carol Service, in St
Paul's Church, 6.00pm**