



MRS DEAN'S LEAVING ASSEMBLY

We will all be gathering together to wish Mrs Dean farewell on Friday 10 June at 9.15am. All friends, family and community are very welcome to join us. Coffee and cakes will be served after the assembly.

LETTERS / ITEMS FOR THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Please note that we now have a letterbox in the main front entrance of school that you can use to drop off letters, permissions and payments. The box will be emptied at least twice a day so payments can also be made as long as they are sealed and clearly labelled in an envelope. We hope this will give parents another swift option for such items. Text and e-mail communication systems are also currently being reviewed and updated.

MATHS WEEK FEEDBACK

Thank you for supporting our whole school maths week. Your children enjoyed a superb week of activities both in the classroom and out in the school grounds. They took part in a maths football day, played and created their own board games and ended the week as pirates!!

Next week we will be sending out our school calculation policies for you to look through. Hopefully these will better help you to support your child with homework and see how your child learns to add, subtract, multiply and divide. These are also available on the school website under policies. Thank you again for your support and we will plan another maths week in the coming year.

If you have not completed your feedback form and would like to do so please do and return to school as soon as possible.

PTA NEWS

CATON GALA – 11 JUNE

Cake donations

We are planning to run a cake and sweets sale at the gala, so if anyone can donate cakes please do so.

Tombola donations

We are planning to run a tombola at the gala and are looking for donations of bottles and general items (not chocolate due to weather!). Please bring these to the school office this week.

Gala float book ends

Please can all children wanting to go on the float complete the decoration of their "book end" for the school float. For children attending after school club the book ends will be prepared during after school club. For anyone wanting additional instructions there are some on the PTA noticeboard, alternatively please ask Jorj Haston for advice (07861997515).

Float decorating

Parental help to decorate larger items.

Thank you very much to all parents who have kindly volunteered their time to paint characters for the float. We would like to ask any willing parents to support us with painting the remaining larger items for the float. There will be two sessions this Thursday 9th June 1.30pm – 3pm and 6.30pm – 8pm, please do come along to the school hall to help with painting, cutting etc if you can spare some time (even 20 minutes).

Mrs Dean

The PTA are very sad to see Mrs Dean leave and wish her a big thank you for all her help over the years and all the best for the future.



CLASS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

I would like to inform parents of our proposed Class structure for September 2016. As you will be aware from previous information, our school number on roll has been increasing for the last three years and as such has resulted in the increase from 5 to 6 classes. Governors are dedicated to continuing to provide an excellent education for all children in our community alongside retaining a distinctive Christian school ethos in a smaller school community. We have currently been allocated 22 children new to Reception and an additional 10 children in the older year groups.

Our class arrangements, including new class names as voted by the children in a school council ballot, are therefore as follows:-

Reception = Diamond Class (Mrs Riley)

Year 1 = Ruby Class (Mrs Hanger)

Year 2 = Topaz Class (New Teacher)

Year 3 / 4 mixed = Emerald Class (Miss Sanderson)

Year 4 / 5 mixed = Sapphire Class (Mrs Sharples and Mrs Jenkinson)

Year 5 / 6 mixed = Amethyst Class (Mrs Richardson)

Parents will receive a letter regarding class allocations (Year 4 and 5 only) within the next two weeks.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

We have unfortunately not received any nominations for our vacant Governor position this term. Should you still be considering putting yourself forward do not hesitate to contact Mrs Price to discuss the role further. It is a role that is highly valued by both staff and Governors and we would still like to hear from any interested parents. Please contact Mrs Price on head@stpauls.lancs.sch.uk if you would like more information.

CATON GALA – YOUR HELP STILL NEEDED

Don't forget we have a last meeting tonight 6.30pm to 8pm (or later if needed!) to finish any painting and scenery preparation. Any amount of time would be very welcome and gratefully received. Thank you. (Details of how you can help were sent out by letter on Monday).

END OF YEAR AWARDS ASSEMBLY – RETURN OF TROPHIES

We would be very grateful if all children who won an award trophy last year could return their cup/shield by Friday 17 June. This will enable us to get the trophies engraved and 'polished up' for the 2016 winners! Your prompt help would be appreciated – thank you.

ST PAUL'S KWIK CRICKET TEAM GO TO THE AREA FINALS

Our fantastic kwik cricket team have once again reached the Lancaster, Morecambe and District Area Finals. The top 12 schools will play off on Tuesday 14 June Westgate Cricket Club, with a chance to go to the County Finals in July. Good luck boys – we are all with you.

Samuel Sutton, Gabriel Weber, Peter Scurrah, Samuel Davies, Zack Leigh (Captain), Joseph Eaton, Jacob Cooper, Alex Aspinall, Daniel Mews and Jamie Slater.

AFTERNOON TEA

Churches together in Caton and Brookhouse invite you to 'A celebration of the Queen's 90th Birthday' at Brookhouse Methodist Church on Sunday 12 June 2016. 4pm Afternoon Tea followed by 5pm Celebration Service.



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DOGS ON THE SCHOOL PREMISES

During the last two weeks of last half term we had an independent advisor evaluate the 'risk' of dogs being allowed on our playground at drop off / pick up time. Due to the significant increase in number of dogs (and increased occurrences of dog fouling) we have been advised to inform parents that dogs are NOT ALLOWED ON SCHOOL PREMISES from now onwards (a rule that is the norm in the majority of schools). Whilst we understand and appreciated that no incidents have occurred yet and that we have many sensible dog owners (including several staff), we cannot risk one of our little ones getting bitten accidentally. We ask that families respect this rule and support our continuing work to protect and keep our children safe. Thank you for your help.

MISSING UNIFORM

Clodagh Duckett is missing an age 10 dress and has an age 8 dress to swap. Please check and see if you have the correct dress. Thank you.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

All classes will be celebrating our Queen's 90th Birthday and learning more about her life and her role as Head of the Church on Friday 17 June. Classes will be:

- Doing 'royal' activities all day
- Having a royal Garden Party lunch outside (weather permitting) Parent helpers to serve food would be welcome from 11.30am
- Dressing in our very best, poshest outfits – suits and very lovely dresses welcome (sensible shoes please)
- Enter a 'Royal Hat' competition to win a super prize. Hats should be homework and based on a royal theme.

All families are welcome to join us on this date for a special assembly about the Queen, led by Tim Widdess, one of our newest Foundation Governors.

MESSY CHURCH

Brookhouse Methodist Church invite you to come and join us for a Special Father's Day Messy Church on Sunday 19 June, 4pm to 6pm, with Paul Curwen, balloon sculptor. Hot meal provided. For more details contact Julie on 07510 511341



ROBIN HOOD THE MUSICAL

TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2016

1:30pm and 6pm

Our school production is fast approaching with just over a week to go. There are just a few things we would like to remind you about.

- 1) Tickets will be on sale from Monday 13 June 2016 at a cost of £2 per ticket (Please send money in a named sealed envelope stating how many tickets you require and which performance you would like to attend).
- 2) We are looking for anyone who would be available on Monday 20 June pm (dress rehearsal) and Tuesday 21 June to lend a hand before performances with face painting. Please see Mrs Richardson if you can help out!
- 3) KS2 children need to be back in school from 5:15pm on Tuesday 21 June 2016 to ensure they are ready in their costumes for the evening performance.

The children have worked really hard to put this exciting production together - we look forward to showing off our amazing talents!

INFANT MILK

ADVANCED NOTICE

As from September 2016 milk for infant children will cost £10 per term.

MOONLIGHT WALK

Just to remind everyone - we have entered a team of 19 staff and friends to take part in the St John's Hospice Moonlight Walk. This will be taking place on Saturday 11th June 2016. Some of us will be setting off from St John's Hospice at 10pm and walking 25km round Morecambe and Lancaster and some of us will be setting off at midnight and walking 14km. If you would like to support our team by donating money to this fantastic cause you can do so by visiting our team everyday hero page at <https://moonlightwalk2016.everydayhero.com/uk/catonstpauls>. We are hoping to raise as much money as possible for St John's Hospice, a charity close to many of our hearts. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

HAFFNER ORCHESTRA

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Saturday 18 June 2016 7.30pm

Ashton Hall, Town Hall, Dalton Square, Lancaster

Tickets: Buy online at www.haffnerorchestra.org