

St Paul's Catholic Primary School Newsletter 15

Friday 9th January 2026



2025 Jubilee Year

Dates for your diary

JANUARY

- Fri 9th PTA Used Uniform sale 3.20
- Tues 13th NSPCC Assembly
- Fri 30th Yr3/4 Girls Football at the Dome

FEBRUARY

- Mon 9th Children's Mental Health Week
- Mon 16th HALF TERM WEEK
- Tues 24th Poet in School (Coral Rumble)

MARCH

- Thurs 19th Swimming Gala at Rivermead TBC
- Fri 20th Yr5/6 Football at The Dome
- Fri 26th End of Term - 1pm

APRIL

- Mon 13th Pupils return to school
- Thurs 23rd BHF Football/Netball tournament



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh." (Matthew 2:10-11 ESV-CE)

The Feast of the Epiphany reminds us that Jesus is revealed to all people. Guided by the star, the Wise Men set out on a journey of faith, trusting God even when the way was uncertain. In our school community, Epiphany invites us to reflect on how we seek Jesus each day and how we help others to find Him through our words and actions. Like the Magi, may we offer Jesus the gifts of our kindness, our effort, and our love, and may His light guide us throughout this new term.



HEAD'S UP

This week we spoke to Enivie and Finn from St Andrew's Class. During their PE lesson on Tuesday they played the traffic light and dice game. In phonics they have been learning more sounds. During English they wrote about Traction Man. They have also learnt to count within 20 and have had an ICT lesson this week.

98% Attendance for St Matthew for week ending 19th December 2025

93.4% Whole School Attendance for week ending 19th December 2025 - Target 96%

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK

We wish all our supporters a very Happy New Year! Thank you for your generous contributions during 2025. On New Year's Eve, in partnership with SVP, we provided many homeless people 'fish and chips', treats, and winter packs, at Reading Minster. We have also resumed operating, as usual, every week on Wednesdays and Fridays. This week we are short of breakfast cereal (weetabix), long life juice, long life milk, coffee, sugar, instant mash potato, toothpaste and washing up liquid. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Foodbank'. Thank you.



MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

OFFICE HOURS—Mon—Thurs 8.00—3.30pm, Fri 8.00—**8.15 and 8.35—3.30pm**

End of the School Day

Please can parents remind your children, that if they can't find you in the playground, at the end of the school day, they must come back into school and report to the school office.

Children arriving late

The school pedestrian gate is closed at 8.50am. Please can parents ensure that your child is in class and you have exited the playground by 8.50am, any late arrivals are to come in through the main reception.

Weekly Mass

St Jude's Class will be attending Mass on Wednesday 14th January at 9.30am at St Joseph's Church Parents and Families are welcome to join them.

Whole School Attendance - Autumn Term

