

St Paul's Catholic Primary School Newsletter 32

Friday 5th June 2026



Thought for the Week

"It now falls to us to face the challenges of our time with clarity of thought and responsibility. It is necessary to establish adequate regulatory tools capable of upholding justice and curbing the distorting effects of technological power. Nevertheless, the issue is not limited to regulation."
(Pope Leo XIV, Magnifica Humanitas, 5.)



GOSPEL

Last Sunday, the Church celebrated one of the greatest mysteries of our faith: the Holy Trinity. God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit—three Persons united in perfect love. While we can never fully understand this mystery, we can experience it in our daily lives. Every time we make the Sign of the Cross, pray together, forgive one another, or show love and kindness, we reflect something of the life of the Trinity. As we continue through this term, may we remember that we are made in the image of a God who is relationship, communion and love, and are called to share that love with others.



HEAD'S UP

Hello and welcome to this week's newsletter. This week, we interviewed Teddy and Annie-May from St Simon. To start off their week, they did a spelling test and comprehension about the story of 'Ruben and the watch' while the Yr5 did their guided reading groups. Yr6 have been rehearsing for the end of year productions while the Yr5s were doing maths. During English they have been writing their own football/World Cup stories. In RE they were learning about a picture of St Peter preaching to the believers of God and in their art lesson they made a footballer made out of tinfoil.

Come back for next week where we will be interviewing two children from St Jude!



Please come and join us to celebrate our **Summer Fair & Picnic at St Joseph's** on 21st June at 11.30 am.

There will be:

- Mini table tennis tournament and games
- Ice cream van
- Cake stall and snacks
- Homemade cards
- Beverages
- Sweets and candy floss



100% Attendance for St Paul for week ending 22nd May 2026

95.1% Whole School Attendance for week ending 22nd May 2026 - Target 98%

ECO TIPS

Reduce microfibres released in the wash.

The microfibres that are released when we wash synthetic clothes and other textiles, can end up polluting our seas and oceans. Wash synthetics in a GuppyFriend laundry bag, as research by scientists at the University of Plymouth showed it caught just over half of the synthetic microfibres that are released during a wash. Selecting a slower spin speed and washing at lower temperatures and shorter cycles also helps.

Gardening Tips for June



- Lift and store tulip bulbs after flowering
- Give wisteria its summer prune, cutting all the long sideshoots back to 20cm, to promote flowering next spring
- Plant up a new tropical display with tender exotics, including bananas, ricinus, coleus, cannas and amaranthus



TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK

We are supporting approximately 40 households with food and household products. Many thanks to your very generous donations. This week we are short of cornflakes, weetabix, tinned spam/ham, pasta sauce, tinned fruit, instant coffee, long life milk and sugar. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Foodbank'. Many thanks.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

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

Please pray for our all our children who will be making their First Holy Communion on Saturday at 10am. For anyone wanting to watch, the service will be live streamed [here](#)



FIRST HOLY
Communion

Well Being

Family wellbeing course.

A 6-week programme designed for parents and carers of children who are autistic, or awaiting an autism diagnostic assessment held at Reading University



Dates for your diary

JUNE

Fri 5 th	Yr6 Trip to Chessington
Sat 6 th	First Holy Communion - livestreamed
Fri 12 th	Rise Theatre Performance
Mon 15 th	KS1 Trip to Bucklebury Farm
Mon 15 th	Yr5 Maths Masterclass @ River Academy
Fri 26 th	Mass for the Feast of St Peter and St Paul at 11am in school
Sun 28 th	Children's Mass at St Joseph's
Tues 30 th	UKS2 Production 2pm and 6.30pm

JULY

Tues 7 th	Yr5 Public Speaking Competition
Fri 10 th	Family Fun
Mon 13 th	Inter House Tournament
Fri 17 th	End of Term 1pm

Yr6 Dates for your diary

JUNE

Fri 5 th	Leavers Trip to Chessington
Tues 23 rd	Leavers Mass 11am Douai Abbey
Tues 30 th	UKS2 Production 2pm and 6.30pm

JULY

Mon 13 th	Staff v Pupils Rounders
Mon 13 th	Leavers Party
Tues 14 th	Leavers Mass 11am St Joseph's

HOUSE POINTS

Week Ending	St Anne	St Bernadette	St Brigid	St Margaret Clitherow	St Rose of Lima
22/05	Winning House for the half term				

Weekly attendance compared with our 96.1% target

Whole School Attendance

