

From the headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

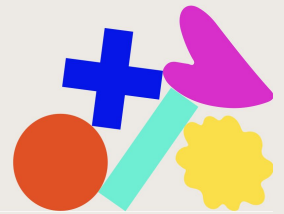
I hope this newsletter finds you well! As we embrace the onset of autumn, I am delighted to share some exciting updates from our school community. Today, in celebration of the European Day of Languages, our fantastic house teams have come together in a wonderful display of teamwork and creativity. It was great to witness our pupils engaging with different cultures and languages, enriching their understanding of the world around them.

On another note, I want to inform you that our Office Administrator, Ms Hao will be leaving us at the end of October. Her hard work and dedication will be missed! If you know anyone who may be interested in this position, please direct them to the vacancies page on our school website for more details.

Thank you for your continued support,

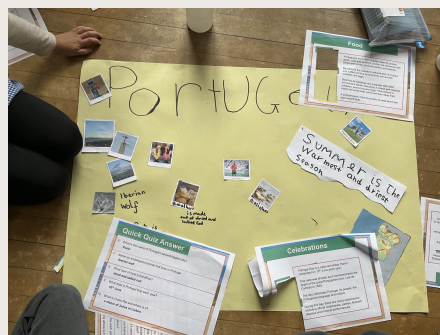
Best wishes,

Helen Darrell



THIS WEEK AT ST PAUL'S

- KS1 and KS2 have had a fabulous afternoon in their house teams creating posters about all our European countries in celebration of European Day of Languages! We look forward to displaying their work in school.
- Mrs Darrell was invited to Robins class to answer questions about her job - the class asked some very interesting questions, from what does she do in her office, out of her office to how many fish fingers does she cook?
- We are looking forward to our Harvest Festival next week, we will be collecting food for the Cambridge food bank.



Otter class news

Last week in history, Otter class became Victorian Cambrigians and debated whether or not the railway should come to our city. In science, we have been testing the physical properties of materials and have set up several experiments to test for conductivity and material hardness. In English and art, we have been learning about the ways we can use our creativity to make positive changes in our community.

To prepare for Harvest, Otter class learned all about the New Yam Festival in Nigeria and compared it to harvest celebrations here in Cambridge. Inspired by the maskwork of Igbo artists, we decided to make our own masks representing what harvest means to us using only natural materials found around the school site. The masks we made tell beautiful stories about autumn and we look forwards to showing them off at the harvest celebration next week.



Useful dates

Autumn Term 2025
Wednesday 3rd Sept 2025 -
Friday 19th Dec 2025

Dates for your diary

Fri 26 Sept - European day of
languages

Tue 30 Sept - Harvest festival
at school 9.10am

Wed 1 Oct - Coffee morning
9am

Sat 4 Oct - International
Lunch 12-2pm - at school

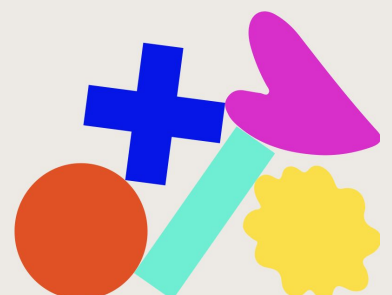
Attendance Matters!

As we begin this new term, I would like to emphasise the importance of regular attendance and punctuality for all students. Establishing good habits from the start lays a strong foundation for academic success. Consistent attendance ensures effective learning. Conversely, lateness can disrupt an individual's learning process.

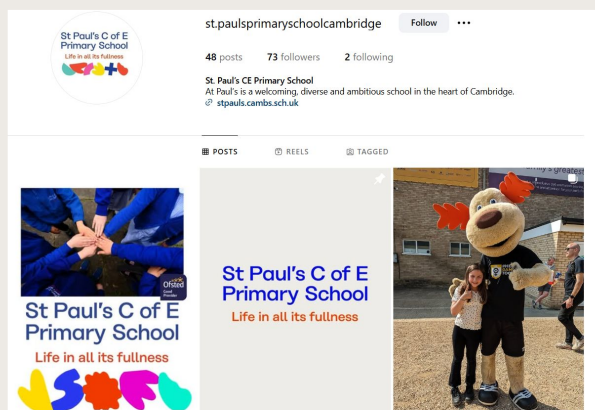
I encourage families to support their children in prioritising attendance and arriving on time. Together, we can ensure a productive and enriching educational experience for all.

Thank you for your continued support.

Let's talk
attendance!



Other News



Instagram



Find us on Instagram at [st.paulsprimaryschoolcambridge](https://www.instagram.com/st.paulsprimaryschoolcambridge) where you can see photos from key events and reminders of upcoming events. #FollowUs #Insta #StPaul's #KeyEvents

Please share our posts widely! Let's see if we can reach 100 followers!

Collective worship theme

Love

This week, we have thought about love—not just the love we show to others, but also the love we give to ourselves.

When someone gives us a compliment, when a friend chooses to play with us, when we say “thank you,” or when we proudly receive a sticker or certificate, we are reminded that we are special. These small moments are ways of celebrating who we are and recognising the good things we do.

It's important to notice those moments and let them make us smile. Loving ourselves means knowing that we are each unique, important, and worthy of kindness—both from others and from ourselves.

For our families and staff, it's also a gentle reminder to pause and recognise the little victories in our own lives, too. Whether it's a kind word from a colleague, a thank you from a child, or a moment of stillness at home, we can celebrate these as signs of love and encouragement. By modelling self-love and gratitude, we help our children learn how to value themselves and others.

So this week, let's celebrate who we are, cheer on our friends and families, and remember that love grows stronger when it's shared.

Please do read more about our school's values...

[St. Paul's vision and values](#)

