

Monday Memo



Monday 2nd February

Spring Term

Issue #18

St. Paul's Day

Last week, we celebrated St. Paul's Day. St. Paul's Day primarily refers to the Feast of the Conversion from Saul to Saint. St. Paul is celebrated on January 25th, commemorating his dramatic transformation from persecutor to apostle on the road to Damascus, a pivotal moment in Christianity.

Throughout school, we celebrated how our namesake fulfilled his mission to share Christ's love with the world. Saint Paul was the most influential leader of the early Church. He played a crucial role in spreading the Gospel during the first century.



Diary Dates

Monday 2nd February

Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th
FebruaryWord Guerilla Poetry and Spoken
Word WorkshopsThursday 12th February

Year 3 Class Worship 09:05am

Friday 13th February

End of term awards 09:05am

Friday 13th February
Finish for half term 3:20pm
from school

Worship Values



Our worship value this half term is Courage

In our Celebration Assembly, we will celebrate 1 pupil from each class who has shown the term's value. 🏆

This term we will celebrate our 'Courageous Advocates'

Attendance w/b 26/01

Reception: 98%

Year 1: 94%

Year 2: 99%

Year 3: 94%

Year 4: 96%

Year 5: 99%

Year 6: 99%

Whole School Overall: 97%

Target: 97%

House Points w/b 26/01

Bowland: 131



Parlick: 196



Pendle: 147



Longridge: 196



St. Pauls' Parish News & Events

Tuesdays 09:00am—11:30am

Warm Space (coffee and bacon butties)

supported by members of our

Children's Chaplain from

10:00-10:30am



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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

SUPPORTING SAFE USE OF AI

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is increasingly woven into young people's digital lives. It can offer some educational benefits and day-to-day assistance; however, it also raises concerns about misinformation, privacy, fairness, and safety. This guide provides parents and educators with practical strategies to support young people to navigate AI tools responsibly, and to use them safely and with discernment.

1 DEMYSTIFY WHAT AI REALLY IS

Children encounter AI in most online places, including games, streaming platforms, and school tools. Explain that AI uses patterns from past data to make decisions, but it doesn't think or feel like humans. Use age-appropriate examples, like how recommendations on YouTube or Netflix work, to build understanding and prevent false beliefs about AI being all-knowing or alive.

2 TALK ABOUT RISKS OF MISINFORMATION

AI can create convincing false information, including deepfake videos, photos, and fake 'facts'. Encourage children to think critically about what they see and read. Teach them to double-check information using reliable sources, to look at images and videos carefully, and to ask an adult if something doesn't seem right.

3 DISCUSS DATA AND PRIVACY

Explain that AI systems learn by analysing lots of data, sometimes including personal information. Help young people to be mindful of what they share online and why protecting personal data matters. Model good habits like reading app permissions together or reviewing what's collected by voice assistants like Alexa or Siri.

4 ENCOURAGE CREATIVE USE OF AI

Support children, when using AI tools, to explore ideas, make art, or build projects. This fosters confidence, imagination, and independent thinking. When children use AI creatively, rather than just passively consuming it, they are more likely to stay engaged and make thoughtful choices.

5 USE AGE-APPROPRIATE AI TOOLS

Not all AI platforms are suitable for children. Choose tools designed for education or creativity, with clear safety policies. Review terms of use and privacy settings, and help children use them in age-appropriate ways. For example, some chatbot tools mimic conversation but should only be used with guidance and boundaries in place.

6 USE AI TOGETHER

Exploring AI tools together can help adults understand how they work and spot potential issues. Try co-writing a story with an AI writing assistant or experimenting with an AI art tool. This encourages curiosity, helps you stay informed about the latest AI tools, and allows you to reinforce safe and respectful use while modelling critical thinking.

7 SET BOUNDARIES FOR AI USE

Establish when, where, and how AI tools can be used, just as you would with any digital technology. For example, you might agree not to use AI tools to complete school assignments without permission, or to avoid unsupervised use of voice assistants. Consistent boundaries help manage overuse and misuse.

8 WATCH FOR OVERRELIANCE

Some AI tools, like homework help apps, may be tempting shortcuts. Encourage children to use AI to support their thinking, not replace it. Celebrate effort and process over perfect answers. Reinforce that mistakes are part of learning and that relying too heavily on AI can limit real understanding.

9 TEACH DIGITAL ETHICS AND LITERACY

Help children explore how AI works, where it might be biased, and why ethical thinking matters. Building digital literacy alongside ethical awareness ensures children engage with AI critically, not just conveniently. Help young people to understand that not all people use AI for legitimate purposes; some use it for malicious reasons. Encourage questions about fairness, representation, and who benefits from certain tools; talk about algorithms, echo chambers, and the impact of automation on daily life.

10 STAY CURIOUS AND INVOLVED

AI is developing rapidly, and staying informed helps you support the young people in your care. Follow trusted sources for updates and keep the conversation going. If a child brings up a new AI trend or tool, take the opportunity to learn about it together. Showing interest builds trust and strengthens digital resilience.

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