



Welcome and Information



Welcome to St Paul's Tots

St Paul's Tots is a stay and play group run by a team of Christian volunteers from St Paul's Church. St Paul's Tots is open to all babies and pre-schoolers (ages 0-5) and their parents, grandparents and carers. We aim to provide a welcoming, safe environment where friendships can form.

Time, place and cost

St Paul's Tots meets from 10.00-11.30am every Tuesday morning in term time. We meet in St Paul's Church Hall (Lake Road North, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1AG). There is parking available on-site and plenty of on-street parking nearby. We have space to park buggies when you arrive.

St Paul's Tots costs £1 per family (paid in cash on the day). Please do speak to us if cost is a barrier. We don't want cost to stop anyone coming. There is no need to pre-book.

What to expect

We aim to offer a warm welcome, a hot drink for adults and plenty of toys and stimulating themed activities for little ones to enjoy. There is a designated area for small babies with baby toys and baby gyms. We have a craft table supervised by a helper every week. We do not have a snack time so please bring a snack for your child if they need one.

Towards the end of the session, we'll sing some songs together and there will be a short Bible story shared by one of our helpers.

The timings of each session are generally as follows:

- 10.00 Arrive and register
- 10.00 Chat, play, craft
- 11.10 Tidy up time
- 11.15 Singing and Bible story time
- 11.30 Goodbye time

Your responsibilities

You are fully responsible for your child at all times. Helpers will be there to provide assistance when needed but they cannot be left with responsibility for your child. Children must be accompanied if they go to the toilet or leave the main hall.

The main door to the building will be locked from 10.30am once everyone has arrived. Please help us keep children safe by letting us know if you have to leave the building for any reason after 10.30am. We'll then lock the door behind you.

Allergies and illnesses

Please inform us if you or your child have any allergies, dietary issues or medical conditions. We occasionally use food items in our sensory play tray.

If you or your child is taking medication, please ensure that it's not accessible to other children. If your child has had vomiting or diarrhoea, we politely ask you not to come. (It is recommended that a child who has had vomiting and diarrhoea stays away from other children for 48 hours.)

Taking photos

We're happy for parents/carers to take photos during the session but they must only be of yourself and/or your own children. We will ask for your consent for group leaders to take photos of you and your child for our Facebook page and our church website.

Outings

We aim to have a summer outing as one of our sessions in the summer term. We have met at St Anne's beach as a past summer outing.

Any questions?

The St Paul's Tots team is led by Amy Mulholland. Please do feel free to contact her with any questions (see details below) or to chat with any other member of the team. We welcome your comments about St Paul's Tots, and we are always very happy to hear any concerns you have or suggestions about how we could do things differently.

Other activities at St Paul's Church

At St Paul's Tots, we occasionally advertise special church services (e.g. Christmas and Easter), holiday clubs for school-aged children and Christianity Explored courses for adults.

You and your family are always welcome at any of our Sunday services or other activities. We have a group on Sunday mornings for children aged 3-11 (Sunday Club).

Please do ask if you'd like more information about activities at St Paul's Church or about Christianity. Any of us would love to chat. All our helpers know and love the Lord Jesus and we have found faith in him to be the most precious gift worth receiving and sharing.

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