



**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **NEWSLETTER**

**16<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

## **St Paul's Journey – An update from the Senior Leadership Team**

Interim Executive Headteacher: Miss Woods

Deputy Headteachers: Mrs Crannitch and Mrs Gadd

### **School Improvement Focus: Governors**

The governors have been working very hard to ensure they are supporting the school and holding the Senior Leaders to account. The governors all meet every half term to discuss progress against the POAP (Post Ofsted Action Plan) and regularly visit the school to do monitoring of different areas with a member of the Senior Leadership Team. The key Ofsted Areas are effectiveness of leadership and management, quality of teaching, learning and assessment, personal development, behaviour and welfare and outcomes for children.

So far this year the monitoring has included 'Outcomes' 'Collective Worship' and 'Behaviour'. Governors are really pleased with the progress they can see so far. This includes the calm and quiet Collective Worships that happen daily and the fantastic playtime behaviour of all of the children across the school. Governors can see the improvements and are working with the Senior Leaders to ensure that this is continued.

There are also regular Parent Group meetings with the Chair of Governors, Peter Chadwick and the Interim Executive Headteacher, Miss Imogen Woods. Thank you to those who attend these and give us your feedback and suggestions. The next Parent Group Meeting is on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 8.45-9.30am. All parents are welcome to attend these as we really value your input. Notes of these meetings are on the website and can be found here:

<http://st-paulsprimaryschool.co.uk/parents-group/>

### **The next stage of the journey for St Paul's:**

We are pleased to tell you that next year St Paul's will be joining the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education, Multi-Academy Trust, This is a growing Church of England Trust where a common vision is shared; to ensure all children and young people in our schools realise their God-given potential and aspire to exceed expectations. The Trust believe a school's identity and individuality is what makes them special. The Trust believe in the power of collaborative working and actively promote school to school support as a means to share knowledge, experience and insight.

This is a positive step for our school because we will be able to maintain our Church of England ethos and continue to work very closely with the diocese. For more information about the Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) please look at their website: <https://www.sdbemat.org/>

Mark Burnett, Chief Operating Officer is willing to meet with parents to give more information and answer questions. Please express your interest on the form below for this to be organised.

## Key Information

**Anti-Bullying Week:** This has been a huge success, as a school we raised £58 on Odd Sock Day for the Anti –Bullying Alliance (a charity which provides advice and resources for schools). The Anti-Bullying Policies are also now on the school website. Please take a look.

**Performance for Redwood, Larch and Chestnut:** Our Year 3 and 4 classes have been doing a drama session with the Blue Elephant Theatre Company on a Monday afternoon. We would like to invite parents of children in these classes to a showcase of their work this term on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm, the performance will last approximately 45 minutes. Please come to the school office before 2pm on this day. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible.

**Drama Club Performance:** Parents of children who attend Drama Club on a Monday after school are invited to a short performance of their children’s self-written poems on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 4.15pm. Please note that the club will finish at the normal time of 4.30pm and this will be the last week of Drama Club for this term. A huge thank you to Miss Joyce from Blue Elephant Theatre Company for running the club.

**Revision/Study Books for Years 5 & 6:** Please see the separate letter with more details of these useful study books, which will help children with their homework and to revise classwork.

**Parents’ Evenings:** These will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December, between 3.30 and **6pm**. Please note the later ending time to fit in all parents. Letters with further details and an appointment slip will be coming out later this month.

We wish you a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.  
The St Paul’s Team

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Please complete this slip and return to your child’s class teacher.

I am interested in attending a parents’ meeting to find out more about the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education, Multi-Academy Trust with Mark Burnett, Chief Operating Officer. For more information, please see the first page of the newsletter.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Child’s name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

If a significant number of parents show their interest by completing the slip, the meeting will be held during a Thursday parent's group or if a very large number of parents are keen to meet Mark Burnett, the meeting will be held after school.

**Dates for Autumn Term - New or changed dates are in red**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Redwood, Larch and Chestnut Drama Showcase	Monday 26/11/18	14.00-14.45
Drama Club on a Monday afterschool finishes.	Monday 26/11/18	15.30-16.30
Drama Club performance for parents	Monday 26/11/18	16.15-16.30
St Andrew's Day	Friday 30/11/18	
Parents' Group – St Paul's Journey with our Chair of Governors	Thursday 29/11/18	08.45 – 09.30
Family Christmas Disco & Bazaar	Thursday 6/12/18	17.00 – 19.00
Parents' Evening	Tuesday 11/12/18	15.30 – 17.30
EY Nativity to School	Wednesday 12/12/18	14.00-14.45
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Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch	Friday 14/12/18	
Clubs Finish	Friday 14/12/18	
KS1 Nativity to School	Tuesday 18/12/18	14.00 – 14.45
KS1 Nativity to Parents	Wednesday 19/12/18	14.00 – 14.45
Christmas Carol Service at St Paul's Church	Thursday 20/12/18	09.00-10.00
Children Break up for Christmas	Thursday 20/12/18	14.00
Inset Days	Friday 21/12/18 and Monday 07/01/19	
Children back to school	Tuesday 08/01/19	08.45

CLASS	NAME	REASON FOR CELEBRATIONS
Oak	Halima	For always trying to better her writing and maths.
Oak	Taiwo	For changing his handwriting for the better.
Elm	Rokas	For always being respectful of all adults and children.
Elm	Makeda	For her constant smile, good manners and helpful, respectful attitude.
Willow	Abena	For always being respectful to adults and children.
Willow	Sufyan	For being a good and respectful friend at all times.
Chestnut	Rahima	For showing the same level of respect to the supply teacher as her class teacher.
Chestnut	Michelle	For showing respect and kindness to all the children in her class and the playground, including children who are not her best friends.
Redwood	Demilade	For always speaking politely to adults and children.
Redwood	Leo	For showing respect to others when upset by explaining how he feels rather than responding angrily.
Larch	Lacey	For her excellent attitude towards learning.
Larch	Aminah	For learning to exchange for subtraction! Well done!
Birch	Joey	For her constant respectful attitude.
Birch	Zachary	For making sure his friend was supported when they were upset and needed help.
Ash	Amelia	For treating books with respect when tidying up the book corner.
Ash	Timi	For showing respect to adults by offering to do small yet helpful jobs for them.
Maple	Rachel	For always being respectful of the classroom by tidying it up.
Maple	Lemuel	For always being respectful by listening to the teacher or a child when they are sharing ideas.
Breakfast Club	Victor	For being so helpful and always showing respect.
After School Club	Phillip	For always being well behaved and showing respect.

#### TOP TABLE STARS

Khalliah - Birch	Jayden – Ash	Nafisatu - Larch
Isabella –Larch	Sienna – Redwood	Ronnie – Elm
Taiwo – Oak	Halima – Oak	Vanessa - Willow
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