

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

7th December 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: Communicating with parents about the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education, Multi-Academy Trust.

Following the interest expressed by some parents, Mark Burnett, Chief Operating Officer will meet with parents in the hall on Wednesday 9th January, from 8.45am to 9.30am. The aim of this parent's group is to give more information and answer questions about the transition into a Multi-Academy Trust. Please also look at the website: https://www.sdbemat.org/

We feel that joining the MAT 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. The improvements seen this term will be definitely be continued! Come along to meet Mr Burnett, have a cup of coffee or tea and ask any questions you have.

Key Information

Christmas Bazaar and Disco: Thank you to everyone who helped to make this a success – staff, children and families. We are very grateful to Miss Donna M and Miss Linda May for their careful organisation and time prior to the event.

Christmas Jumper Day: Next Friday is Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner for all the children and staff. Children are encouraged to wear a festive jumper and their own clothes to school and come with a big appetite for a full Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings.

Christmas Pantomime: Blue Elephant Theatre Company will perform their Christmas Show 'Baa Humbug' at school on Monday 17th December 2018. We request a 50p donation from each child to cover the cost of the actors and getting the props here to school. Please send the money in with your child on the day of the performance.

Christmas Carol Service: Our Christmas Service will, as usual be held at St Paul's church on 20th December at 9am. This is a very special time for our school community as we gather together in church. Please do come along. We would love to see you there.

Christmas Parties: In the afternoon of 20th December we will be having our class parties. Teachers may ask you to contribute food and drink. Information about this will come out in slips early next week if needed. The children must stay in school uniform on this day as the school day ends at 2pm.

Reading Records: A reminder to all parents and children about the school expectation of reading at least 4 times a week and recording this in the Reading Record books. KS2 have made a real improvement in this. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents please initial when your child has read with you. Or get an older sibling to do this. A huge well done to all who already do this.

Photos and Videos: We look forward to welcoming you to the Christmas events in our last two weeks of school; (for days and times, please see the Autumn Term Dates at the bottom of this newsletter). To safeguard the children please read the following recommendations.

Photos and videos taken by parents: These are only for 'personal use', and we ask parents not to share or publish images of pupils on social media.

Photos and videos taken by the school: Thank you to all the parents that gave their permission to put pictures of their children on our school website.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you prepare for this special time of year.

From

The St Paul's Team

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

Description	Date	Time	
Parents' Evening	Tuesday 11/12/18	15.30 – 17.30	
EY Nativity to School	Wednesday 12/12/18	14.00-14.45	
Parents' Evening	Wednesday 12/12/18	15.30 – 17.30	
Parents' Group – St Paul's Journey with our Chair of Governors	Thursday 13/12/18	08.45 – 09.30	
EY Nativity to Parents	Thursday 13/12/18	14.00 – 14.45	
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch (own clothes and Christmas Jumper)	Friday 14/12/18		
Christmas Pantomime Show 'Baa Humbug'	Monday 17/12/18	14.00 - 15.00	
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	
Class Christmas Parties	Thursday 20/12/18		
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	Tyaan	For his rapid improvement in his attitude for learning.
Oak	Renato	For his excellent learning in Maths.
Elm	Georgia	For her fantastic progress in swimming.
Elm	Denzel	For developing his role as Head Boy.
Willow	Selam	For always trying her best at everything.
Willow	Harley	For her great effort with her writing.
Chestnut	Carlos & Tapsiru	For great paired work in Maths. They used known Maths facts to work out trickier questions.
Redwood	Michael & Hebreux	For being positive. This has improved their handwriting, they have produced better work and their smiles are beautiful to see!
Larch	Lacey	For always trying to do her best.
Larch	Clayton	For his beautiful handwriting.
Birch	Davion	For his excellent behaviour in Birch class.
Birch	James	For his excellent knowledge and understanding of shapes.
Ash	Mary	For building up the confidence to answer questions in class.
Ash	Aminata	For trying hard in everything she does
Maple	Tommy	For making progress in his writing.
Maple	Adrian	Engaging more on the carpet.
Breakfast Club	Claudio	For settling in well in Breakfast Club.
After School Club	Aminah	For settling in well in Afterschool Club.