



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

# **NEWSLETTER**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

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

Executive Headteacher: Miss Woods

Deputy Headteachers: Mrs Crannitch and Mrs Gadd

*Isaiah 49:13 "Sing for joy, O heavens, and exalt, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the Lord has combined his people and will have compassion on his afflicted."*

### **School Improvement Area: Handwriting**

We are continuing to focus on the quality of work in the children's books. One aspect that will help to improve the books, is the children's handwriting. As our middle leader responsible for writing, Mrs Cleaver has developed a policy with the staff. It explains national expectations for each year group, the correct way to form individual lower case and upper case letters; as well as St Paul's School expectations for presenting work in all curriculum subjects and in homework. For full details, please see the policy on our website.

### **SATS week**

Our Year 6's will complete their SATS tests next week along with the rest of England. They will complete Grammar and spelling papers on Monday, a Reading paper on Tuesday and three Math's papers over Wednesday and Thursday. We wish all of the children luck for these tests and know that they have worked hard to prepare for them.

All Year 6 children are invited in for breakfast from 8.30am during SATS week. We encourage all of the children to come in and have some time with their friends and some breakfast, they will then have a trip to Myatt's Park on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May to celebrate the end of the tests.

### **School Governors**

We have had one parent formally approach us for the role of parent governor and are currently looking for one more. If you are interested in the role please do come and see Miss Woods, Mrs Crannitch or Mrs Gadd. If you have already spoken to them and understand the commitment and role please do pick up a nomination form from Mrs Bettinelli in the office. We are fortunate enough to have a highly committed Governing body who alongside the MAT are part of the school' continuing improvements. We are looking forward to seeing how our Governing body develops as the year progresses.

### **St Paul's Gospel Choir CD**

It's official! Our amazing CD hosting 14 incredible tracks recorded by our very own St Paul's Gospel Choir are here and available to buy for only £4.99! The music was recorded live at St Paul's Church, which created the perfect atmosphere to deliver the very best sound that our amazing choir could offer you. We are so very proud of our gifted and talented children. If you would like a copy, please visit the school office and speak to Sandra or Donna.

We will be recording another Christmas special later in the year, so if you like this album, please remember to buy our forthcoming Christmas album.

**NSPCC: Speak Out, Stay Safe Programme**

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, staff and volunteers from NSPCC will be visiting St Paul's to lead two informative assemblies for KS1 and KS2, and interactive workshops for Years 5 and 6. The programme, known as Speak out Stay safe, is available to all primary schools in the UK. It aims to equip a generation of children with the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe from abuse and neglect. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline. Pupils are taught in a lively, memorable and child-friendly way with the help of a Speak out Stay safe mascot, Buddy the speech bubble.

**Chicks in the Nursery**

We are proud to announce that we have eggs incubating in the Nursery and we are awaiting the arrival of seven amazing chicks. The eggs are here as part of our topic in Nursery covering living and growing. Our special guests have been at school for a week now and are at the very early stages of their development.

The eggs were donated to the Nursery from Surrey Docks Farm. Surrey Docks Farm is a working community farm in London that engages local people to learn about farming and food provenance. Open 7 days a week from 10am till 4pm they offer a beautiful bit of rural life in the heart of the city. Once hatched and developed enough to be transported, the chicks will go back to the farm.

**The St Paul's Team**



## Dates for Summer Term

| Description  | Date                                   | Time        |
|--|--|-------------|
| SATS WEEK (Year 6 tests)   | Monday 13/05/19 – Thursday 16/05/19    |             |
| Drop in cookery workshop for parents and children in hall              | Monday 20/05/19                        | 15.30-16.30 |
| Year 2 and Year 5 fire safety workshops in school                      | Monday 20/05/19                        | 13.00-15.00 |
| Ash class collective worship   | Thursday 23/05/19                      | 09.00-09.15 |
| Year 3 and 4 to Southwark Cathedral for Lent Call Thanksgiving service | Thursday 23/05/19                      | 12.45-15.30 |
| NSPCC workshops in Year 5 and 6  | Friday 24/05/19                        | 11.00-14.00 |
| End of half term   | Friday 24/05/19                        | 15.15       |
| May half term – school closed  | Monday 27/05/19 – Friday 31/05/19      |             |
| Pentecost Service at St Paul's Church                                  | Friday 07/06/19                        | 09.00-10.00 |
| Headteacher Tour of the School – new parents                           | Friday 07/06/19                        | 10.00-11.00 |
| Phonics Screening (KS1)  | Monday 10/06/19 – Friday 14/06/19      |             |
| School photographs   | Thursday 13/06/19                      |             |
| Maple class collective worship   | Thursday 13/06/19                      | 09.00-09.15 |
| Redwood class music performance at Tooley St                           | Thursday 13/06/19                      | 11.30-15.15 |
| Assessment Week  | Monday 17/06/19 – Friday 21/06/19      |             |
| Year 6 residential   | Monday 17/06/19 – Friday 21/06/19      |             |
| KS1 trip to the Museum of London                                       | Monday 24/06/19                        |             |
| Birch class collective worship   | Thursday 27/06/19                      | 09.00-09.15 |
| Summer BBQ   | Thursday 04/07/19                      | 16.30-18.30 |
| Bikeability – Years 5 & 6  | Monday 08/07/19 – Friday 12/07/19      |             |
| End of year Reports to parents   | Monday 08/07/19                        |             |
| St Paul's selling produce at East St Market                            | Tuesday 09/07/19                       | 13.00-15.00 |
| Parents Open Evening – drop in, no appointments                        | Wednesday 10/07/19                     | 15.15-17.00 |
| Sycamore class collective worship                                      | Thursday 11/07/19                      | 09.00-09.15 |
| Year 6 disco   | Thursday 11/07/19                      | 17.00-18.30 |
| Bikeability – Years 3 & 4  | Wednesday 17/07/19 - Thursday 18/07/19 |             |
| Year 6 production to parents   | Wednesday 17/07/19                     | 18.00-19.30 |
| Year 6 Leavers Service at Southwark Cathedral                          | Thursday 18/07/19                      | 10.30-14.00 |
| Acorn class collective worship   | Thursday 18/07/19                      | 09.00-09.15 |
| Sports Day and picnic at Pasley Park                                   | Friday 19/07/19                        |             |
| Leavers' Service at St Paul's Church                                   | Tuesday 23/07/19                       | 09.00-10.00 |
| Last day of the year – children finish at 2pm                          | Tuesday 23/07/19                       | 14.00       |