



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

# **NEWSLETTER**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

Executive Headteacher: Miss Woods

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Crannitch

**FAITH – HOPE – LOVE**

## **Welcome back**

We hope you all had a lovely half term and had time to relax and be with friends and family. We have a busy half term in the run up until Christmas, please make sure you check the board in the KS1 playground and the newsletter for important dates. Our newsletter is also put on the website each week so if you do mislay the newsletter you can always check dates and events here as well.

The website address is:

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

There are also sections to help your child with their learning under the tab 'Learning'. Here you will find revision for Year 2 and Year 6 and some home learning videos.

## **Welcome to new staff**

We welcome Ms Ali Jones who will be taking over as Chestnut class teacher when Miss O'Sullivan goes on maternity leave. Ms Jones will be starting next week and working alongside Miss O'Sullivan for November. Ms Jones has a wealth of experience from working in a local Southwark school and is looking forward to joining the staff team here at St Paul's.

## **Ash classes trip to the Museum of London**

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October (just before the holidays) Ash class went on a trip to the Museum of London and although it was a cold and wet day the children had a great time. They did a workshop on Mary Seacole, where they found out all about her life from a very realistic actress. Rhea and Joey's favourite part of the trip was when they played with toys from the past. Mr Lees and Miss Madge were very proud of the children's behaviour on the trip. A huge well done to them!

## **Remembrance Service**

Please join us for our Remembrance Service at St Paul's Church on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November. The service will start at 9.15am, please come and see our newly formed Faith Team with their contributions to the service and a song from the Year 4-6 choir, as well as the usual whole school singing. We will also have a minutes silence on this day at 11am as a mark of respect for all fallen servicemen and women.

## **Lip gloss and other lip items**

Please do not let your child bring lip gloss or other lip items into school. If your child has medicated lip balm or needs to moisturise regularly then this should be given to the class teacher who will hold onto it during break and lesson times. We have had some recent incidents of children using other children's lip balm and that child has had an allergic reaction. If your child does have these items in school and does not hand them in, then they will be taken off them and returned to them at the end of the day.

### **SMART watches**

A reminder from our last newsletter that if your child has a smart watch that has phone, game and/or photo features these will be treated the same as a mobile phone. Children with smart watches will need to hand them into Mr Roy at the beginning of the day and these will be stored securely until the end of the day. The children will then collect them at the end of the day from Mr Roy at the KS1 gates. This is ensure the safety of all the children onsite and also to minimise arguments over such items. Again we thank you for your understanding.

### **Who you can talk to**

Another reminder from our newsletter before half term that we are focused on making sure your child is safe and happy at school. If there has been an incident at school that your child comes home and tells you about please speak to your child's class teacher or teaching assistant if you need more information. If you feel something hasn't been dealt with either in the classroom or at break time please also see the class teacher or teaching assistant first. They are going to be the most useful to speak to first as they are with your child for most of the school day. If you are not able to speak to the class adults before or after school please speak to Miss Donna the learning mentor who is always in the KS2 playground before school, or you can also catch Mrs Crannitch, Miss Browne or Miss Woods before or after school in the playground. We are keen to sort out any problems before they become bigger, so please do come and speak to us.

### **If your child is absent**

If your child is not attending school for any reason, you must contact the school on each day of absence; this can be done by:

Email : [office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk)

Phone: 020 7704 4896

If we do not hear from you, you will be 'phoned or texted to seek clarification of your child's absence from school. You will be sent letters by the school if the reasons for your child's absence is unclear. If absences continue after letter has been sent, you will need to bring in evidence for further absences. You may be requested to attend a meeting if there is persistent absence or lateness.

According to the School's attendance policy, authorised absence is not given for:

- Holidays
- Birthdays
- Shopping trips

You need to let the school know if there are:

- Illnesses- contact school office by text or phone before 9:30am
- Medical appointments- try to avoid appointments during the school day or make them close to the end of the day
- Religious observances- request in advance
- Bereavements- to help deal sensitively with your child

We thank you in advance for your cooperation on this matter.

### **Labelling clothes**

Another reminder that as the weather gets cooler, please remember to make sure all your child's clothes are labelled clearly. If they are labelled clearly we are more likely to be able to reunite your child with items that have been left in the playground or around the school.

**Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend**

**From The St Paul's Team**



## Dates for Autumn Term

Description	Date	Time
Anti-Bullying Week	Week beg: 11/11/19	
Remembrance Service at St Paul's Church	Monday 11/11/19	09.15-10.00
Year 6 residential meeting	Wednesday 20/11/19	17.00-17.30
Parents' Group – St Paul's Journey with our Chair of Governors	Thursday 21/11/19	08.45 – 09.30
Year 1-6 Assessment Week	Week beg: 25/11/19	
St Andrew's Day <span style="color: green;">Children wear blue to school</span>	Friday 29/11/19	
Executive Headteacher Tour – new parents	Tuesday 03/12/19	09.30-10.30
Walworth Wonderland - Christmas Disco & Bazaar	Thursday 5/12/19	18.00 - 19.30
EYFS/KS1 Nativity to School	Tuesday 10/12/19	14.15-15.00
EYFS/KS1 Nativity to Parents	Wednesday 11/12/19	14.15-15.00
Clubs Finish	Friday 13/12/19	
Christmas Carol Service at St Paul's Church	Thursday 19/12/19	09.15-10.00
Children Break up for Christmas	Thursday 19/12/19	14.00
Inset Day	Monday 06/01/20	
Children back to school	Tuesday 07/01/20	08.45

## CELEBRATIONS WEEK BEGINNING 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

CLASS	NAME	REASON FOR CELEBRATIONS
Willow	Whole Class	For their positive attitude and focus during this week's tests. Well Done!
Oak	Abiola	For excellent general knowledge.
Oak	Rahima	For good use of expanded noun phrases.
Elm	Tianna	For her excellent effort in writing.
Elm	Adrian, Renato & Sade	For their excellent work in a Maths test.
Chestnut	Isabella. L	For a fantastic newsletter report on the discovery of Tutankhamun's Tomb.
Chestnut	Isabelle. H	For her improved confidence in Maths.
Larch	Queen. Q	For being helpful and welcoming to Miss Bartlett during her first week.
Larch	Malik	For putting in extra effort to improve his presentation during English.
Redwood	Amelia	For her amazing effort in Maths column addition.
Redwood	Gibril	For contributing brilliant vocabulary in Science.
Ash	Zephaniah	For being really brave with his singing.
Ash	Ibrahim, Divine & Joey	For working hard and doing great column addition.
Maple	Callum	For his amazing independent story writing and concentration in all lessons.
Maple	Scarlett	For trying her best in everything she does.
Sycamore	Elianna	For always trying new activities and tasks.
Sycamore	Logan	For being confident to express himself in a positive way.
Breakfast Club	Tianna	For settling well in Breakfast Club.
After School Club	Ronnie & Mia	For settling in well in After School Club.

### TOP TABLE STARS

Iqra – Maple	Adrian – Maple	Scarlett – Maple	Leah - Redwood
Aminata – Chestnut	Jeremiah – Larch	Ferrona - Larch	Abdullah - Larch