



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

9th 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: Working with Parents

We are communicating and working successfully with parents in a range of ways.

- Every other week our parents' group meets in the portacabin to discuss current achievements and concerns with our Chair and Governor, Peter Chadwick and our Executive Headteacher, Miss Woods. (See our Dates List on this newsletter for the next meetings).
- Every week the newsletter is sent home with all children and is uploaded onto the website on the Friday. Details of up and coming events, as well as the school's progress is included.
- Parents and children have supported our new homework procedures. Children are given homework on a Friday and it is due in on Wednesday. Children should also read four times per week. Parents or older children show this by writing in the reading record. The newly created bookmark has suggestions for different comments.

Our next key focus to improve is the school's attendance and punctuality figures. We are aiming to be above 95% attendance, currently it is below this. Thank you to all the parents who regularly ensure their children are in school by 8.45am.

Key Information

Anti-Bullying Week – Next Week: The theme this year is 'Choose Respect' which fits very well with our school values. There will be a variety of whole school events including Odd Sock Day next Friday. Children need to wear school uniform but are allowed to wear odd socks. We encourage you to send £1 in with your child on this day to raise money for our new School Library and the Anti-Bullying Alliance (a charity which provides advice and resources for schools). Teachers will collect donations in class. The School Council will be sharing their work on the new Anti-Bullying Policy. The next Celebration Collective Worship will have a Choose Respect theme and teachers will deliver a computing lesson around Cyber-Bullying. Keep a look out for the Anti-Bullying Policy being uploaded to our website.

Staff: Congratulations to Mrs Szasz and Ms Bagnall on their pregnancies. It is wonderful news and we are very happy for you both. We will be interviewing replacement teachers over the next few weeks and we will keep parents informed. If parents in Birch or Chestnut want any more information, please speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

EYFS Playground & KS1 Ship: The children are benefitting from an improved surface in the EYFS playground and a refurbished ship in the KS1 playground.

Remembrance Service: Our thanks to the children who read and sang, Father John for leading the service, and to all the parents who attended. The service was beautiful and very thought provoking.

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 11th and 12th December, between 3.30 and 5.30pm. Letters with further details and an appointment slip will be coming out later this month.

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

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

Description	Date	Time
Remembrance Service at St Paul's Church	09/11/18	09.00-10.00
Anti Bullying Week	Week beg: 12/11/18	-
Parents' Group – St Paul's Journey with our Chair of Governors	Thursday 15/11/18	08.45 – 09.30
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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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
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	Taiwo	For changing the way he writes and joins his letters.
Oak	Ronnie & Kevin	For their great improvements in their problem solving skills.
Elm	Bernice	For excellent homework, researching information on Mongolia and sharing it with the class.
Elm	Amber	For an amazing improvement with handwriting, keep it up!!
Willow	Mabinty	For her increased participation in all lessons. Your input is always appreciated.
Willow	Devontee	For his great skills and teamwork in P.E.
Chestnut	Raejuan & Maisa	For improving their concentration, answering more questions and producing great writing.
Redwood	Elliana	Always trying her best and showing excellent behaviour to the rest of the class.
Redwood	Decory	For trying really hard to follow the school rules and focus in class.
Larch	Fang Ying	For trying really hard with all her work.
Larch	Sara	For her excellent behaviour at all times!
Birch	Halima	For trying really hard with her writing.
Birch	Diego	For his great effort and attitude in Maths.
Ash	Ethan	For such a good term so far in Year 2.
Ash	Susan	For being such a great role model in Ash.
Maple	Lillie – Rose	For her fantastic help around the class without being asked.
Maple	Jovianni	An improvement in his writing.
Breakfast Club	Rolando	For always being so well – behaved.
After School Club	Jordan, Jaydon & Jasmine	For settling in well into After School Club.

TOP TABLE STARS

Alfie – Maple	Divine – Birch	David. K – Ash
Jeremiah – Ash	Fang – Ying -Larch	Lacey – Larch
Jessica – Redwood	Mario – Chestnut	Adrian – Oak
Kenny – Elm	Harley - Willow	