



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

15TH February 2019

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

Interim Executive Headteacher: Miss Woods

Deputy Headteachers: Mrs Crannitch and Mrs Gadd

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Spring Term: Proverbs 3:5-6

School Improvement Focus: Reading

The monitoring of reading at St Paul's has been carried out this half term by looking at teacher's planning and children's books, and by talking to children about reading. Thank you to Miss O'Sullivan for leading this. There is progress in reading across the school evidenced by test results and the children's work. Every child spoken to, viewed reading as important and they all aspire to be good readers. However, their main reason for wanting to be good readers was simply 'to pass tests and get a good job'. We will be helping children to develop a love of reading by celebrating World Book Day, using our improved library, and promoting reading in our classrooms and at home.

Well done to all the children achieving the school's expectation of reading at least 4 times per week. Currently KS2 are the champions for reading the most at home.



We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Tuesday 5th March.**

Our theme this year will be 'GOOD VS BAD'

Which character will you dress up as? Are you a Great Goodie, such as Snow White, an Oompa-Loompa or Harry Potter? Or are you a Brutal Baddie like the Big Bad Wolf, Burglar Bill or a Dangerous Dragon? It is time to start planning your costumes!! We are looking forwards to seeing your weird and wonderful creations come to life and celebrating the joy of reading.

Miss O'Sullivan and Mrs Cleaver

Key Information

New children

A huge welcome to the following children who have joined our school since January:

Kalina in Acorn Class

Dylan in Ash Class (to start after half term)

Romeo in Birch Class

Isabella in Larch Class (to start after half term)

Johann in Larch Class

KS1 toy workshops

KS1 did a very exciting Victorian Toy Workshop in school on Friday 8th February. All 3 classes dressed up and played with different toys from the Victorian Era. The children then followed up with writing about it in class and made their own toys.

Here is what the children thought:

'I thought the spinning top was a space ship when I first saw it' Aminata – Ash Class.

'It was fun as I got to wear a hat' Malik – Birch Class.

'We could play with olden time toys!' – Ted – Birch Class.

Children collected after 3.30pm

From Monday 25th February, children, who have not been collected between 3.15 and 3.30pm, will be supervised by their class teachers in the porta cabin. We ask you to wait in our entrance area whilst children are collected from the porta cabin and necessary administrative tasks are completed. Please help your child's teacher by collecting your child on time at the end of the school day, to enable them to continue marking and preparing learning for the next day.

Admission to Holy Communion at St Paul's, Lorrimore Square

St Paul's Church will be preparing children who are 7+ years old to receive First Holy Communion on Tuesday afternoons starting on Tuesday 26th February at St Paul's Vicarage at 3.45 – 4.45pm; refreshments will be provided. There are five sessions, and the children will be formally admitted to receive their first Holy Communion on Mothering Sunday 31st March at the Parish Eucharist at 9.30. In order to receive Holy Communion children must have been baptised in a church that subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, know the date and place of their baptism, and complete a form. Please contact Mother Katy on 07970 471833 or katyhh@hotmail.co.uk by next Monday 18th February if your child is interested, as numbers are limited.

LAST WEEK Free after school cookery workshops for adults and children

It is the last week of our after school cookery workshops run by School Food Matters the Monday after half term. The first 20 children who come to the hall on Monday after school, with their parents, will be able to participate. Parents are welcome to bring siblings and more than one child to be part of this exciting opportunity. A huge thank you to the School Food Matters team, and particularly to Michaela, the chef. Everyone who has joined in has said how much they enjoyed it, adults and children.

Poppy Appeal

We have just heard that St Paul's School raised £329.08 for the local British Legion, which will benefit ex-serviceman. Well done everybody and thank you for your continued support.

We hope all our families and friends have a wonderful break. We thank you for your support over the last half term!

The St Paul's Team



Dates for Spring Term new or changed dates in RED

Description	Date	Time
Last day of half term	Friday 15/02/19	15.30
Children return to school	Monday 25/02/19	08.45
Last week of 'School Food Matters' Parent/Child Cookery Club in hall	Monday 25/02/19	15.30-16.30
School Council feedback with 'School Food Matters Project'	Tuesday 26/02/19	12.00-14.00
Elm/Willow Dance Workshops in school	Tuesday 26/02/18 & 05/03/18, Thursday 14/03/19 & 21/03/19	13.00-15.00
St David's Day. Children to wear yellow to school.	Friday 01/03/19	
World Book Day Celebrations	Tuesday 05/03/19	
St Paul's Journey Parents' Group	Thursday 07/03/19	8.45 – 9.30
Chestnut Class Collective Worship	Thursday 07/03/19	08.55-09.15
Ashing Service @ St Paul's	Friday 08/03/19	09.00-10.00
Assessment Week for Year 1-6	Monday 11/03/19	
St Patrick's Day. Children to wear green to school.	Friday 15/03/19	
Ukulele Club Performance to Parents	Tuesday 19/03/2019	16.00 – 16.30
St Paul's Journey Parents' Group	Thursday 21/03/19	8.45 – 9.30
Larch Class Collective Worship	Thursday 21/03/19	08.55-09.15
International Food Fair	Friday 22/03/19	13.00-15.15
Clubs – last week for the term	Monday 25/03/19	15.30-16.30
Parent conferences	Tuesday 26/03/19 & Wednesday 27/03/19	15.30-18.00
Easter Eggstravaganza	Wednesday 03/04/19	16.30-18.30
St Paul's Journey Parents' Group	Thursday 04/04/19	8.45 – 9.30
Palm Service @ St Paul's Church	Friday 05/04/19	09.00-10.00
Last day of term – children finish at 2pm	Friday 05/04/19	14.00
Inset day	Tuesday 23/04/19	
Children back to school	Wednesday 24/04/19	08.45