



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

# **NEWSLETTER**

**Faith, Hope and Love**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020**

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Silke  
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Crannitch  
Inclusion Lead: Mr Anthony Chavez

A message from your Headteacher, Mrs Silke:

The children have had another successful week working and playing hard in school as you can see from the pictures below. We celebrated Harvest festival this week and although we couldn't go to St Paul's Church as usual we were delighted to be joined by Fr John when he led a special Harvest Festival Collective Worship. You can watch using this link: <http://www.mediafire.com/file/31g6mzy0h1fs09j/file> The children loved it and the responses from Chestnut Class included:

- I loved watching the squirrel while we prayed
- I liked seeing what Fr John is growing in his garden
- I liked hearing the hymn
- I felt so calm and peaceful being virtually outside in Fr John's garden

Thank you all so much for your generous donations to our Harvest Appeal, they will be much appreciated by the users of the Manna centre.

Ash Class being Creative – Designing and Building Boats



Larch Class being Geographers – Studying Maps of the World



World Teacher Day – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020

This is a special day when we say thank you to our Teachers and Teaching Assistants for all their hard work with your wonderful children. This thank you is even more special this year when teachers and teaching assistants are facing the challenges of teaching within the constraints of the Covid risk assessment. It would be lovely if your children could make them a thank you card over the weekend.

Meet the Head Meetings

Thank you to all of you who have already booked your place at one of the meetings below. If you have not already done so please do asap as the places are going fast. Many thanks in advance.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 9am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 9am

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 9am

Please note that these are identical meetings so you only need to attend one. I am just trying to offer several options so that parents from every family have an opportunity to meet me. We will need you to return the slip below and return to the office to book your place at the meeting you wish to attend so that we know how many chairs need to be put out. Due to social distancing we can only accommodate one parent per family unless there are exceptional circumstances.

INSET DAY LAST WEEK- RWInc Excitement

We had a great INSET day last week with ALL staff being trained on how to teach the Read Write Inc (RWInc) phonics programme effectively. Staff are really excited about starting the programme. We will start teaching the programme on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October. 😊 More information and meeting dates to follow.

Reconnecting Curriculum Planning in the Event of Lockdown

The teachers have all had 3 training sessions on microsoft teams which is the online learning platform on which our online learning will be provided in the event of any future lockdown. They have also had half a day's extra PPA this week to plan and record their first online lessons.

After School Club and Breakfast Club

Both clubs reopened successfully this week. Huge thanks go to the staff teams for all their hard work setting up the clubs in a different building. Thank you to all parents for your patience and understanding regarding the amendments we had to make due to usual provision due to our Covid risk assessment.

Breakfast Club runs from 7:45 to 8:30. Children will be taken to their classes at 8:30. After School Club runs from 3:15 to 5:45.

Please collect your children promptly as the room needs to be deep cleaned before the next day.

**Drop off and Collection arrangements:** Drop off and collection will be at the main gate. If there is no one at the gate when you buzz for Breakfast Club or After School Club please call the school mobile on 07748039939 and a member of staff will come and open the gate for you to drop off or collect your child/children.

Please note that if you are collecting your child from After School Club after 4.30pm you will need to call this number as the office is not staffed after 4.30pm.

The places in After School Club cost £10 a day with a reduction to £7:50 for subsequent siblings.

Breakfast Club costs £2 a day.

**Please note that we will no longer be able to cater for random drop offs or late collections as the children will need to have been previously booked in before they attend due to our risk assessment. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.**

Up-To Date Contact Details – Arbor Communication and Safeguarding

Thank you to those of you who have informed us of your new phone and email contact details. If you have not done so please email the [office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk) as soon as possible. We have emailed this newsletter to you on Friday so if you did not receive it we do not have the correct email for you.

**A Prayer for Creation Tide**

We thank you, Lord God that you created us and the world, and for your everlasting love all you give us.

We thank you that whatever else may happen, your love and care for us never changes.

Thank you for our successful Harvests that bring us all the food we need to eat. Please hear our prayers the millions of people in the world who are not so fortunate and go hungry every day.

We ask your blessing on all the children, teachers, and staff in our schools, and on their friends and families. Give us wisdom and understanding; fill us with hope and aspiration; bind us together in community; enable us to respect each other and bring out from each other the unique gift each of us has from you.

Set our hearts on fire with your love, to live and work to your praise and glory,  
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Love and prayers to you all,  
The St Paul's Team.**

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I would like to book a place at the following meeting: (please tick):

My Children's names and class are:  
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