



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Faith, Hope and Love

Friday 11th February 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Your children and all staff have worked incredibly hard this half term despite the challenges of Covid. As a result, they have had lots of fun in their lessons and made lots of progress. Thank you so much for your ongoing support. We all deserve a break and we hope that you and your families will have a peaceful, safe and happy half-term holiday. Take care and stay safe.



Maple class have been learning about Victorian toys such as cloth peg dolls and paper windmills. They learnt that Victorian families were often very large with lots of children so the toys had to be passed down and last a long time.

During their art lessons, the children viewed pictures of Victorian peg dolls made from bits of wood and dressed in old clothes or household linen. They then designed their own peg doll and gave it a name. The next activity was to create their own peg doll using wool, fabric scraps, glue and pipe cleaners. The children were very creative and had lots of fun. Didn't they do well!

Safer Internet Day

We celebrated Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 8th February. Miss Bryan led a collective worship about the theme this year which was 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. All the children should know they if they find others are being unkind or bullying online then they need to tell someone they trust. This could be a family member, someone at school or it can be reported here: <https://www.ceop.police.uk/CEOP-Reporting/>

This way of reporting is particularly important if you do not know who it is that is being unkind online. If you can you should take some evidence of the unkindness eg: a screenshot and then block the person if you are able to.

In our last newsletter, we mentioned about children being safe online when using particular websites. It has come to our attention that there are many children who are using social media platforms that they are too young to be using. Below are the age restrictions needed for certain social media platforms. If you are aware that your children are using websites please make sure they are only accessing those that are age appropriate. Please see chart below.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



[More curriculum news](#)

Art Week

This week has been art week where all the children have been learning about aboriginal art. Aboriginal art is from Australia and takes the form of dots to make a story through a picture. Many years ago these were drawn on walls and used natural colour from plant pigments. You can see more photos of these on the school website.



Maths

The children have really embraced learning their times tables with TT Rockstars. They are often overheard talking about it and explaining how much faster they have become with their recall. As well as a times tables focus, we are all working on the children's explanation skills and mathematical language acquisition. We are using 'stem sentences' in lessons that are providing support when doing this- please ask your child to explain their homework to you. Finally, we are all using Mathletics for homework. If your child is having any difficulty with any of their logins then please let the class teacher know and they will help you.

School Uniform on PE Days

Children must come into school in their PE kit which is plain black/grey jogging bottoms/shorts and their school polo shirt and jumper. This is so that the children look smart on their PE days and also so that the children are well-prepared for Secondary School where they are very strict about correct school uniform.

Dates for the Spring term

Event	Date	Time
Lent Service at church	Tuesday 1 st March	9.15-10am
St David's Day – children can wear yellow to school	Tuesday 1 st March	
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March	
Assessment week for Year 1-6 children	Wk beg 14 th March	
St Patrick's Day – children can wear green to school	Thursday 17 th March	
EYFS and KS1 film night	Wednesday 23 rd March	4-5.30pm
KS2 film night	Thursday 24 th March	4-5.30pm
Parent conferences for all children	Wednesday 29 th and Thursday 30 th March	3.30-6pm

Term and Holiday dates for the rest of the year

Spring term

- Wednesday 5th January 2022 to Friday 11th February 2022
- Half – term Monday 14th February 2022 to Friday 18th February 2022
- Monday 21 February 2022 to Friday 1st April 2022 (children finish at 2pm on 1st April).

Summer term

- Tuesday 19th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022 (May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 2nd May)
- Half Term – Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022
- Monday 6th June 2022 INSET DAY
- Tuesday 7th June to Friday 22nd July 2022 (children finish at 2pm on 22nd July)

A Prayer For The Holiday At Springtime

Loving God

Please bless our families and staff as we break up for the half term holiday and help them all to keep healthy and happy and safe until we return to school

During these challenging times, help us to enjoy the wonderful season of spring. Help us to appreciate the wonder of nature in your creation – the new green shoots on the trees, the snowdrops, crocuses and daffodils as they start to appear in London gardens and parks. We ask for a fresh beginning in each of our hearts. Please allow each of us, to flourish in, the same way as the blossoming flowers. Help us to stay grounded and strong like the roots of the trees and help us to continuously grow so that our leaves steadily extend, and we grow strong together physically, spiritually and emotionally.

Amen.

Love and prayers from the St Paul's team



Celebration Collective Worship

Celebration nomination

7th February 2022



Class	Name of Child	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Amira	For sharing her experiences about doctors and saying kind words about how doctors help us.
Acorn	Dhyander	For learning the names of 2D shapes.
Sycamore	Ayomide	For your determination in phonics and your happy positive attitude to school.
Sycamore	Ezekiel	For trying your very best in all areas of learning and wonderful behaviour.
Maple	Emmanuel	For making huge progress during lunch time, resulting in eating all his lunch – well done!
Maple	Pelumi	For successfully explaining that systematic means ‘doing things in order’ during a mastering number session – well done.
Ash	Folawe	For her excellent replica of an aboriginal art piece.
Ash	Elijah	For his enthusiasm when talking about animals native to Australia – particularly the tasmanian devil.
Redwood	Luke	Great maths work in counting and converting money.
Redwood	Eliana	For her amazing aboriginal artwork. She used great techniques.
Larch	Zarrah	Fr being involved in all lessons and answering more questions.
Chestnut	Hebreux	Improved effort, concentration and positivity in lessons.
Chestnut	Michael	Excellent writing in role using emotive language.
Mrs Ward-Andersons Maths Group	Matilda and Lanette	For demonstrating a good understanding of the concept of Algebra.
Willow	Daniella	For her fantastic aboriginal art – such attention to detail.
Willow	Ted	For his enthusiastic participation in our class discussions about ‘Boy in the Tower’.

Lining Up Awards

Bubble	Winners (class)
KS1 (Maple and Ash)	Maple
LKS2 (Redwood and Larch)	Redwood
UKS2 (Chestnut, Oak and Willow)	Oak

Top Table and Team Points

Top Table			Team Points	This Week	Running Tally
Pelumi - Maple	Alfie - Larch	Sulaimati - Oak	St George	4 th	3 rd
Shafique - Maple	Lemuel - Larch	Jamileer - Oak	St Patrick	3 rd	4 th
River - Ash	Beyonce - Redwood	Tyler - Willow	St Andrew	2 nd	2 nd
Mohammed - Ash	Eliana - Redwood	Nataniel - Willow	St David	1 st	1 st



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Celebration nomination



31st January 2022

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Yusuf	For his great creative work.
Acorn	Beverly	For being a great friend to her peers.
Sycamore	Asher	For your amazing maths talk. You try your best to use and apply all of your new maths vocabulary.
Sycamore	Adeshewa	For your determination in your new phonics group. It is wonderful to hear your loud and proud learning.
Maple	Kaiona	For confidently using a rekenrek to systematically make number bonds to 9 – well done!
Maple	Abraham Y	For independently finding one more and one less for various numbers to 50 – well done!
Ash	Amelia	For asking the fantastic question “What happens when the Queen doesn’t have children?” when learning about how royal succession works using family trees.
Ash	Logan	For his excellent tour guide around Buckingham Palace, including lots of interesting facts.
Redwood	Simeon Solomon	For his amazing work with his partner in counting money in maths. Well done for counting and solving problems accurately.
Redwood	Hakeem	For his brilliant recount of the temptation of Jesus which included facts and description.
Larch	Rachel	For a huge improvement in her English writing. Well done for writing a great story following your plan.
Larch	Shannon	For having great speed when answering times tables questions and challenging his peers to be quicker than him.
Chestnut	Lloyd	Consistently trying hard with a very positive attitude to learning.
Chestnut	Susan	Always follows the rules and works hard. A role model to the other children.
Oak	Elliana	For her good understanding of how things adapt to their environment.
Mrs Ward-Andersons Maths Group	Temi	For developing her strategies when dealing with challenging questions.
Willow	Kiera	For her excellent dialogue when writing.
Miss Pollards Maths Group	Hebreux	For a much improved attitude in maths lessons - Keep it up!

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Emmanuel - Maple	Jovianni - Larch	Jessica - Chestnut	St George	2 nd	1 st
Areli - Maple	Joel - Larch	Jeremiah - Chestnut	St Patrick	1 st	3 rd
Aiza - Ash	Mia Rose - Redwood	Lloyd - Chestnut	St Andrew	4 th	2 nd
Jack - Ash	Spencer - Redwood	Jaydon - Oak	St David	3 rd	2 nd