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# InTouch

YOUR MONTHLY GUIDE TO ST PAUL'S NEWS, INFORMATION AND EVENTS

Faith, Hope and Love

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## Ash Class Trip to the Tower of London

On 7<sup>th</sup> February Ash Class visited 'The Tower of London' as part of their learning about Kings, Queens and Castles. They took part in a workshop called 'Knights and Castles'.



Here is what our children thought about the trip:

"My favorite part of the trip was when we were split into two groups and went to look around the White Tower and to see the ravens." Frida

"I liked doing the actions when we were learning how to be a knight, like cleaning the armor by rolling it down a hill in a barrel." Raurie

"I enjoyed seeing the cannons and playing the game where we made a castle and then the enemies tried to knock it down." Brian

"I liked the trip as we got to see the King's Jewels!" Dominic

## Parent Pay

If you wish to purchase uniform or pay for a school trip please do it via your parent pay account, the link to login is:

[www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com)



## A Prayer from our Executive Leader

### A Prayer for St David

Thank you for the life of Saint David.

Thank you for giving him such courage and wisdom.

Help us to remember all the remarkable things he did in his life...and help us all to do the 'little things' that make a really big difference. Help us to be kind

to others and love one another as we wish to be love. Help us to do the little things we can to ensure that we care for God's creation – Planet Earth. We

pray for world peace-we pray that world leaders find a solution to stop the terrible wars in Gaza, Israel,

Ukraine and other parts of the world. We give thanks for our wonderful school, St Paul's and our wonderful children, families, staff and Governors

and we ask that you keep them all safe from harm.

Amen

## A Message from our Head of School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely half-term with your families. February has been another very positive month at St Paul's.

Willow and Chestnut Class visited the Science museum and were commended on their excellent behaviour in the lunch room and the Wonderlab galleries.

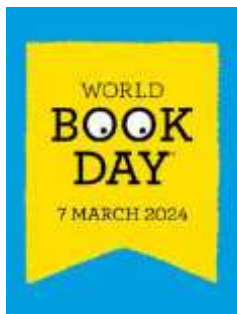
The children in the Early Years have really enjoyed their PE multi-skills sessions and our children with SEND had a wonderful time at the SEND Festival held at Keyworth Primary School. We are so proud of all that your children have achieved so far this term. We are looking forward to assessment week starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March when we hope to see the excellent progress made by all children across the school.

Just to remind you of term dates - we break up at 1:30pm on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March for the Easter Holiday and return on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April as there is no INSET day. I and the St Paul's Team would like to wish you a blessedly peaceful weekend.

With Very Best Wishes to you all,

Miss Batchelor

## World Book Day



On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March we will celebrate World Book Day.

The whole school are invited to wear pyjamas and bring in their favorite teddy. **Please ensure that your children wear normal footwear and not slippers** 😊

Please check your inbox for further information, a letter has been emailed to you.



As part of our drive to promote and engage pupil interest in Maths, we will be celebrating World Maths Day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

On this day, your child can come to school dressed as their Times Tables Rock Star avatar, wear 'rock star' clothes or even dress in one of their avatars colours.

Please check your emails for further details.

### St David's Day Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Our children all enjoyed wearing something yellow on St David's Day (the patron Saint of Wales) as well as learning about St David's Day in Collective worship. Mrs Silke (who is Welsh herself) came in especially, wearing her traditional Welsh costume with pride – the children loved it 😊



## Spotlight on Art

### Redwood Class

Redwood class have been learning about street art, also known as graffiti art this term.

The children investigated various types of graffiti, learnt how it divides opinion and identified distinctive features of graffiti art. After using their sketchbooks to practice different types of fonts, colour patterns, and practicing drawing the letters overlapping each other, the children created their own name tags in a graffiti style.

They chose the number of detail/extras, font style and the background, and after recapping the colour wheel, they carefully applied the colour scheme for their artwork.

Sponges were used to print a brick wall for the background and the name tag was attached.

Well done, Redwood class!



### Spotlight on After School Club

In afterschool club the children have been busy creating some artistic lettering to decorate the Art Block. They carefully applied acrylic paint to cardboard letters, choosing the design, before wrapping with brightly coloured wool. The children worked in pairs and chose all the colours independently.

Zemira enjoyed painting the letters and choosing her colours. Tamara thought the activity was calming, and using different colour wool was fun said Amara.



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Church of England

# Nursery Places

Full-time and part-time places are currently available at St Paul's Nursery. For more information, please call the school office on 020 7703 4896.



## Spotlight on Early Years

At the end of last term, the children came into school in their traditional clothing, to represent themselves and their family background as well as other countries around the world. As we celebrated International Day as a school, the children were able to enjoy tasting foods from around the world, whilst sat with their peers.

This year for International Day, the whole school was delegated a country per year group, in which to learn about and present work on. The EYFS team, were given the UK to learn about. During our understanding of the world sessions as a team we learnt about the UK. The children did some amazing work and learnt lots of facts, like the UK is made up of four countries. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.



## International Day

Our International Day was a great success, thank you to each and every family and staff members who donated food and made the event a wonderful afternoon for our children.



Please check out the following link for more pictures of this event:

<https://st-paulsprimaryschool.co.uk/spps-news/international-day-2024/>



# Celebrations

Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Inzata	For excellent talking about the role of a Police Officer.
Acorn	Jonathan	For always trying his best especially in phonics.
Sycamore	Papa	For amazing role playing when making food for the adults.
Sycamore	Armani	For always trying her best in phonics.
Maple	Jamia & Enyel	For both settling so well into Maple class – we love having you here!
Ash	Frida & Pere	For always putting 100% effort into every task they approach. You are both great role models!
Redwood	Maya	For staying focused and trying really hard with her writing.
Redwood	Karena	For an improvement in her behaviour and focus in class.
Larch	Ange-Maelys	For working so hard in each and every lesson.
Larch	Jameel	For settling in so well and already displaying our visions and values.
Chestnut	Eliana	For writing a wonderful description of a setting and escape in English.
Chestnut	Akosua	For her continued effort in maths when dividing 4-digit numbers.
Willow	Shannon	For applying his multiplication skills when tackling word problems.
Willow	Zakeem	For trying his best to improve his calculation strategies to make progress in maths.

## Lining Up Awards

Key Stage:	Winners (class):
KS1 (Maple and Ash)	Ash
LKS2 (Redwood and Larch)	Larch
UKS2 (Chestnut and Willow)	Willow

Top Table			Team Points	This Week	Running Tally
Tae – Ron - Acorn	Pere - Ash	Akosua - Chestnut	<b>St George</b>	391	2 <sup>nd</sup> 21pts
Inzata - Acorn	Princess - Ash	Callum - Chestnut	<b>St Patrick</b>	336	3 <sup>rd</sup> 19pts
Papa - Sycamore	Ameerah - Redwood	Alfie - Willow	<b>St Andrew</b>	400	2 <sup>nd</sup> 21pts
Armani- Sycamore	Shafique - Redwood	Rhea - Willow	<b>St David</b>	413	1 <sup>st</sup> 26pts
Zemira- Maple	Lorena - Larch		<b>Well done St David!</b> 		
William - Maple	Riley - Larch				

Celebrations



# Celebrations

Week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024

# Celebrations

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Tae – Ron	For his role playing being a Doctor and looking after Miss Polly's dolly.
Acorn	Jonathan	For finding squares in our outdoor area.
Sycamore	Dhyandev	For his amazing art work using descriptive detail and being able to label his art.
Sycamore	Moesha	For her amazing work being able to complete a repeating pattern.
Maple	The Whole Class	For their incredible superheroes Collective Worship – I'm so proud of you all!
Ash	Lyra – May, Platina & Ayomide	For working well as a team to create their own song in computing using chrome music lab to use different instruments and experiment with pitch and tempo.
Redwood	Ayah	For persevering in maths when the work is challenging.
Redwood	Adedayo	For a huge improvement in proof reading her English work.
Larch	Jasmine	For being so inquisitive in every lesson.
Larch	Joseph	For working hard in all lessons and for being so well mannered.
Chestnut	Rashid	For improving his attitude and behaviour and for writing an excellent biography.
Chestnut	Akosua	For working well and making the right choices.
Willow	Zarrah	For developing her confidence when answering questions in class.
Willow	Rachel	For developing her confidence in maths and participating more in lessons.

## Lining Up Awards

Key Stage:	Winners (class):
KS1 (Maple and Ash)	Ash
LKS2 (Redwood and Larch)	Larch
UKS2 (Chestnut and Willow)	Chestnut

Top Table			Team Points	This Week	Running Tally
Alex - Acorn	Ezekiel - Ash	Hakeem - Chestnut	<b>St George</b>	586	3 <sup>rd</sup> 26pts
Zinnie - Acorn	Frida - Ash	Aalia - Chestnut	<b>St Patrick</b>	737	2 <sup>nd</sup> 29pts
King - Sycamore	Sol - Redwood	Joel - Willow	<b>St Andrew</b>	606	2 <sup>nd</sup> 29pts
Laura - Sycamore	Edwin - Redwood	Shyelle - Willow	<b>St David</b>	604	1 <sup>st</sup> 31pts
Kassidy - Maple	Ange – Maelys - Larch		<b>Well done St David!</b> 		
Yusuf - Maple	Joseph - Larch				



# Celebrations

Week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024

# Celebrations

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Jason	For doing well in Phonics, identifying letter sounds. Well done Jason!
Acorn	Inzata	For always being a kind friend and helping her peers. Thank you Inzata!
Sycamore	Armani	For her good listening skills in the targeted group work.
Sycamore	King	For trying harder with phonics and using his sounds knowledge in writing.
Maple	Zachariah	For correctly locating the continents Africa and Asia in a Capital and Culture lesson – well done!
Maple	Aisha K	For correctly identifying all number bonds to 20 – well done!
Ash	Asher	For his fantastic story "The snake and the saxophone" written in the style of "The bear and the piano".
Ash	Haddy	For great work at recognising, making and adding equal groups for multiplication.
Redwood	Segun	For getting more involved during the input and pushing himself to answer questions.
Redwood	Harry	For improving on staying focused during the independent task.
Larch	The Whole Class	For their great behaviour and sportsmanship at the Athletics competition.
Chestnut	Simeon-Soloman	For making good choices and being kind and respectful.
Chestnut	Luke	For improving his behaviour and attitude and making the right choices.
Willow	Lillie-Rose	For remembering to sign and return her Reading journal for three consecutive days.

## Lining Up Awards

Key Stage	Winners (class)
KS1 (Maple and Ash)	Ash
LKS2 (Redwood and Larch)	Larch
UKS2 (Chestnut and Willow)	Willow

Top Table			Team Points	This Week	Running Tally
Inzata - Acorn	Haddy - Ash	Jeremiah - Chestnut	<b>St George</b>	668	2 <sup>nd</sup> 36pts
Jason - Acorn	Asher - Ash	Bintu - Chestnut	<b>St Patrick</b>	611	1 <sup>st</sup> 37pts
La'Mari - Sycamore	Seig - Redwood	Zarrah - Willow	<b>St Andrew</b>	515	3 <sup>rd</sup> 34pts
Fathimath - Sycamore	Areli - Redwood	Jovianni - Willow	<b>St David</b>	457	2 <sup>nd</sup> 36pts
Glory - Maple	Folawe - Larch		<p><b>Well done St Patrick!</b></p>		
Amira - Maple	Jack - Larch				



# Celebrations

Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
Acorn	Zinnie	For retelling the story 'Brown bear, brown bear what do you see?'
Acorn	Jonathan	For fantastic counting.
Sycamore	La'Mari	For his good listening skills during targeted group work.
Sycamore	Ireoluwa	For amazing homework for International day about her home country.
Maple	Israel	For using a number line when subtracting by counting back – well done!
Maple	Michael	For using great adjectives when describing London landmarks – well done!
Ash	Princess	For her sheer enthusiasm during our music lessons.
Ash	Raurie	For his good use of stem sentences to explain his thinking during our mastering number session.
Redwood	The Whole Class	For performing really well during their Class Collective Worship.
Redwood	Harry	For an improvement in focus during lesson time!
Larch	River	For the effort she has put into her work on fractions.
Larch	Jasmine	For the effort she has taken with her handwriting.
Chestnut	Rancel	For excellent behaviours for learning.
Chestnut	Tamara	For making the right choices and great work all work.

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Top Table			Team Points	This Week	Running Tally
Jason - Acorn	Ayomide - Ash	Tamara - Chestnut	<b>St George</b>	535	2 <sup>nd</sup> 44pts
Tae-Ron - Acorn	Bryan - Ash	Zakariyah - Chestnut	<b>St Patrick</b>	572	1 <sup>st</sup> 47pts
Dhyandev - Sycamore	Michal - Redwood	Nana - Willow	<b>St Andrew</b>	476	4 <sup>th</sup> 39pts
Armani - Sycamore	Adedayo - Redwood	Andrea - Willow	<b>St David</b>	528	3 <sup>rd</sup> 42pts
Nimi - Maple	Thais - Larch			<b>Well done St Patrick!</b>	
Danny - Maple	Aiza - Larch				

Celebrations





# Upcoming Events!

## Term Dates

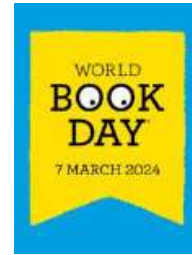
### Spring 2023/24

Spring Term 2 – Monday 19<sup>th</sup>  
February to **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**  
**2024 (1.30pm finish)**



### Summer 23/24

Summer Term 1 – Monday 15<sup>th</sup>  
April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
(3.15pm finish)



**May Day Bank Holiday 6<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Half term – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to**  
**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024**

Summer Term 2 – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
June to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
(1.30pm finish)



**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July – INSET Day**

Dates for your diary

Event	Date	Time
St David's Day – Children may dress in yellow	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	
Year 6 Assessment Week	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Book Day – Children may wear their favourite Pyjamas to school (with appropriate footwear)	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	
Chestnut class trip – Endzone Competition at The Damilola Centre	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	
Ash Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 – 9:30am
St Patrick's Day – Children may wear green	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	
Acorn & Sycamore Collective Worship	Change of date: Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 – 9:30am
Chestnut Collective Worship	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 – 9:30am
World Maths Day – Children may dress as their Times Table Rock Star avatar	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	
Easter Extravaganza	28 <sup>th</sup> March	
St. George's Day – children may dress in red	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	
Celebration Singing Concert	25 <sup>th</sup> June	
EYFS Graduation	4 <sup>th</sup> July	
Summer BBQ	5 <sup>th</sup> July	
Leavers service	19 <sup>th</sup> July	