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

Faith, Hope and Love

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World Book day 2025 Story Winners

As part of our World Book Day Celebrations, the children took part in a plethora of fabulous workshops and fun activities, the children were also tasked to write an imaginative story of their very own. With prizes going to the 4 winners, check out their stories on our website: <https://st-paulsprimaryschool.co.uk/spps-news/world-book-day-story-winners/>

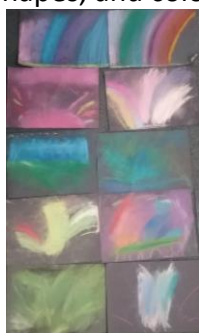


Dates for Summer Term Events on Page 8 – add them to your diary!!

Maple Class Art

Maple class have been exploring the natural phenomenon of the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights). The children looked closely to see what colours and shapes they could spot in the lights and recorded their observations in sketchbooks. The children then showcased this in their own artwork, smudging and blending using chalk pastels.

What wonderful lines, shapes, and colours Maple class!





A Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a busy and exciting Spring Term, I want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible achievements of our pupils and thank you for your continued support.

This term, we have been immensely proud to see some of our children's stories published in a book—a fantastic accomplishment that showcases their creativity and talent. Our Year 5 pupils also amazed us with their original song, which they performed beautifully for parents/carers, governors, visitors and local Southwark councillors. Alongside these highlights, our pupils have led inspiring class collective worships, participated in our meaningful Lent Service, and enjoyed the ever-popular PTA cake stall.

We are ending the term on a high note with our wonderful Easter Extravaganza, featuring a special stall led by our very own student council. And we are thrilled to share some fantastic news, our new 2-3-year-old nursery provision has now been built, expanding our ability to provide high-quality early years education. We also continue to offer child care through our holiday club in all half terms.

A heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers for your ongoing support, whether through attending events, cheering on our pupils, or contributing to the vibrant community spirit of St Paul's School. I continue to appreciate your love and support. Wishing you all a joyful and peaceful Easter break.

Ms Batchelor

Heavenly Father,
As we celebrate the joy of Easter,
we thank You for the gift of new life and hope
through the resurrection of Your Son.

Bless our school community—our parents, who
nurture and guide with love; our pupils,
who learn and grow in faith; and our staff,
who serve with dedication and wisdom.

May this season renew our strength,
deepen our compassion,
and fill our hearts with peace and joy.
Keep us united in love and purpose,
reflecting Your light in all we do.
Amen.

STAY & PLAY

Join us at our **Baby and Toddler Play and Stay Sessions**. Our **FREE** Play, Learn, and Connect sessions take place every **Thursday** and provide a nurturing, fun, and safe space for both children and parents. **FREE tea, coffee, and biscuits too!!!**

What's in it for your little ones?

- Opportunities to develop key skills through exploration, play, and learning.
- A stimulating safe environment designed to spark creativity and curiosity.

What's in it for you?

- Time to relax, socialise, and connect with other parents and caregivers.
- Peace of mind knowing your child is in a safe space and always in eye view.

Details:

- For children aged 0 to 5 years with an adult.
- Every Thursday, **9:15 AM – 11:45 AM. Term Time Only**
- Absolutely **FREE OF CHARGE!**



'Arise, shine and become who God wants us to be.'

Spring Planting in Reception Class

Our children in Reception class have been busy planting a variety of seeds, the children then drew pictures of what they wanted the seeds to grow into.



Celebrating our wonderful After School Club

After School Club have been busy this term playing, developing new skills and gaining new and exciting experiences. Arts and crafts activities have included St David's daffodils, St Patrick's shamrocks, Mothers Day roses and Easter baskets. We also enjoyed delicious pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and fun on games nights, creating elaborate constructions.





Celebrations

Week ending 7th March 2025

Celebrations

Class	Name	Reason for nomination	
EYFS & KS1			
Acorn	Mylah	For always being a kind and good friend	
Acorn	Muhammed	For trying his best with learning numbers 1-5	
Sycamore	Mia	For becoming more confident to communicate with familiar adults	
Sycamore	Novah	For her great attitude towards phonics learning	
Maple	The whole class	For their incredible CW on the environment, we are so proud of you!	
Ash	The whole class	For their excellent behaviour during our fire safety workshop	
KS 2			
Redwood	Ezekiel	For really focusing and trying hard during Maths when looking at perimeter	
Redwood	Adeshewa	For always remaining focused in every lesson	
Larch	Abraham	For making sensible choices in class to help focusing	
Larch	Mercy	For enthusiasm and joy during our English lessons, reading The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe	
Chestnut	The whole class	For their great participation and questions during the fire brigade visit	
Willow	Jack	For good understanding of the relationship between fractions and decimals	
Willow	Rowan	For understanding that percentage is out of 100	
PE Sports person of the week		Sycamore: Mohamed – For being enthusiastic in lessons	
Acorn: Yaseer – For following instructions well			
Maple: Philippa – For her excellent throwing and catching skills	Redwood: Dominic – For trying really hard with his skills during the cricket session	Chestnut: Mohammed – For his greta attitude during cricket sessions	
Ash: Yusuf – For his positive attitude during our dance sessions	Larch: Kaleb C – For trying hard to improve his feilding skills in cricket	Willow: For great teamwork and creativity in dance	
Top Table: EYFS & KS1		Top Table: KS 2	
Iyinoluwa - Acorn	Moesha - Maple	Asher - Redwood	Lou - Chestnut
Cian - Acorn	Dhyandev - Maple	Frida - Redwood	Jasmine - Chestnut
Cole - Sycamore	Isaac - Ash	Pelumi - Larch	Akousa - Willow
Mia - Sycamore	Davina - Ash	Sol - Larch	Jack - Willow

Team Points	This week		Running Tally	
	Points	Position	POINTS	POSITION
St George	393	4 th	158	3 rd
St Patrick	403	3 rd	117	4 th
St Andrew	536	1 st	192	1 st
St David	523	2 nd	173	2 nd



Celebrations

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Week ending 14th March 2025

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
EYFS & KS1		
Acorn	Luis	For being amazing in literacy, retelling the story, The Gruffalo
Acorn	Riva	For trying her best in phonics
Sycamore	Tae-Ron	For growing in confidence in maths sessions
Sycamore	Matheus	For showing enthusiasm in every task that he does
Maple	Kendrick	For designing a floor plan of his dream house during an English lesson – well done!
Maple	Philippa	For doing great on a 'reading for research' task during an RE lesson on saints – well done!
Ash	Fola	For her positive attitude in all lessons
Ash	Aisha T	For always trying her best in all lessons
KS2		
Redwood	Lyra-May	For being really kind and helpful when showing Kennita around
Redwood	Kennita	For a strong and positive start at St Paul's, following the rules and focusing on her work
Larch	Ayshath	Being a wonderful classmate and offering to help others
Larch	Emmanuel	Working hard to write your newspaper article independently
Chestnut	Zacarias	For great participation in our wellbeing sessions
Chestnut	Ange-Maelys	For persevering when converting fractions to decimals and percentages
Willow	Beyonce & Rancel	For making great effort in attempting to answer questions in their mock exam
PE Sports person of the week		Sycamore: Mia – For listening to the coach's instructions well
Acorn: Abifoluwa – for excellent listening & following coach Curtis instructions		
Maple: Ireoluwa – For her great listening skills and following instructions well		Redwood: William – For showing off his great dance moves and teaching them to his group
Ash: Isaia - For wonderful focus and teamwork during the cricket sessions		Chestnut: Aiza – For great teamwork in dance
		Willow: Aalia - For excellent focus and cooperation when putting together a routine dance performance with her peers

Top Table EYFS & KS1		Top Table KS2	
Abifoluwa- Acorn	Adam - Maple	Lilana - Redwood	Aiza - Chestnut
Luis - Acorn	Beverly - Maple	Davi - Redwood	Olivier - Chestnut
Mohamed - Sycamore	Aisha K - Ash	Ayah - Larch	Rowan - Willow
Margaret - Sycamore	Enyal - Ash	Edwin - Larch	Mia - Willow

Team Points	This week		Running Tally	
	Points	Position	POINTS	POSITION
St George	277	1 st	168	3 rd
St Patrick	208	4 th	122	4 th
St Andrew	233	3 rd	198	1 st
St David	253	2 nd	181	2 nd



Celebrations

Week ending 21st March 2025

Celebrations

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
EYFS & KS1		
Acorn	Osman	For being a kind friend to his peer
Acorn	Jesse	For always looking after the classroom. Picking up any toys and helping the adults
Sycamore	Inzata	For her amazing independent writing when labelling healthy foods
Sycamore	Mia	For her engagement in Wellcomm and becoming more confident
Maple	The whole class	For their positive attitudes and perseverance during assessment week – well done!
Ash	The whole class	For their wonderful class collective worship about plants, well done!
KS2		
Redwood	Raurie	For trying his hardest to answer a variety of questions in all lessons
Redwood	Ayo	For really focusing and trying her hardest during assessment week
Larch	Frankie	For making a fantastic start to his St. Paul's journey
Larch	Pelumi	For always giving everything your best go!
Chestnut	The whole class	For their great focus and positive attitude during assessment week
Willow	Simeon	For making great effort in writing a brilliant starter for a book review
Willow	Aalia	For working collaboratively with a partner during her maths lesson
PE Sports person of the week		Sycamore: Cole – For his good throwing and catching skills in a PE lesson
Acorn: Luis – for throwing, bouncing and catching a ball		
Maple: Luna – For her improved co-ordination skills – well done!	Redwood: Princess – For listening to instructions well with the cricket coach and setting a good example for the rest of the class	Chestnut: Qunicy – For his great batting skills in cricket
Ash: William – For showing great bowling skills during cricket	Larch: Segun – Being supportive to your classmates during cricket	Willow: Francisca- For working collaboratively with her group to create movements with historical themes in dance.

Top Table EYFS & KS1		Top Table KS2	
Albie - Acorn	Alice - Maple	Adeshewa - Redwood	Folawe - Chestnut
Muhammed - Acorn	Kendrick - Maple	Raurie - Redwood	Ange-Maileys - Chestnut
Amaria - Sycamore	Aisha T - Ash	Harry - Larch	Aalia - Willow
Matheus - Sycamore	Zeno - Ash	Michal - Larch	Simeon - Willow

Team Points	This week		Running Tally	
	Points	Position	POINTS	POSITION
St George	540	3 rd	174	3 rd
St Patrick	504	4 th	127	4 th
St Andrew	550	1 st	208	1 st
St David	545	2 nd	189	2 nd



Celebrations

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Week ending 28th March 2025

Class	Name	Reason for nomination
EYFS & KS1		
Acorn	Jaxx	For drawing a wonderful Gruffalo
Acorn	Cian	For helping Ms Emma tell the story of 'The very hungry caterpillar'
Sycamore	Inzata	For always being so helpful
Sycamore	Amira & Mia	For their colourful artwork in the style of the artist Giuseppe Arcimbdio
Maple	Laura	For being more focused during carpet sessions
Maple	LJ	For great reading fluency during phonics
Ash	The Whole Class	For their wonderful behaviour during their trip to the Science Museum
KS2		
Redwood	Nolan	For setting a really good example on our trip by behaving well and listening to all instructions
Redwood	Joshua	For being really supportive when peers were competing during the athletics competition
Larch	Isma'il	For his brilliant start at St. Paul's
Larch	Maya	For the effort she has put into her work this week
Chestnut	Joseph O	For his positive attitude towards his assessments
Chestnut	Ange-Maelys	For her focus and effort when calculating area and perimeter
Willow	Bianca	For completing all assignments this week, making sure they are of high quality
Willow	Beyonce	For calculating the area & perimeter of rectilinear shapes correctly
PE Sports person of the week		Sycamore: The Whole Class – For great improvement in their listening skills, well done, so proud!
Maple: Kendrick – For great improvement with his batting skills		Redwood: Asher – For giving his best effort during the races at the athletics competition
Ash: Zemira – For always trying her best		Chestnut: Zac – For his great bowling in cricket
		Willow: Jack: for being a keen and enthusiastic participant in his group dance routine.

EYFS & KS 1		KS 2	
Jesse - Acorn	Alice - Maple	Dominic - Redwood	Elijah - Chestnut
Osman - Acorn	Kendrick - Maple	Princess - Redwood	Jasmine - Chestnut
Leon - Sycamore	Aisha T - Ash	Areli - Larch	Francis - Willow
Inzata- Sycamore	Zeno - Ash	Kaiona - Larch	Bianca - Willow

Team Points	This Week		Running Tally	
	Points	Position	Points	Position
St George	546	1 st	184	3 rd
St Patrick	486	3 rd	132	4 th
St Andrew	431	4 th	214	1 st
St David	491	2 nd	197	2 nd



Dates for your diary

Upcoming Events!

Term Dates - Academic Year 2024/25

Summer Term

Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May 2025 (May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 5th May)

Half Term – Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025

Monday 2nd June to Friday 18th July 2025 (**7th July INSET DAY**)

Monday 21st July & Tuesday 22nd July INSET DAYS

Event	Date	Time
Year 4 Bikeability	24 th & 25 th April	Within the school day
Parent Conferences	29 th & 30 th April	3.30pm – 6pm
International Day	2 nd May	8.30 – 3.15pm
Year 3 Bikeability	6 th /7 th May	Within the school day
Year 6 SATS	12 th – 16 th May	
Choir Concert	21 st May	9am
Year 6 Residential	2 nd – 4 th June	3 days/2 nights
Intra school athletics	9 th June	Within the school day
Year 6 Bikeability	16 th – 20 th June	Within the school day
Summer BBQ	4 th July	4pm – 5.30pm
EYFS Graduation	9 th July	9am
Year 6 leavers service	11 th July	9am
Year 6 Prom	15 th July	4-6pm
Year 6 Time to Shine Concert	16 th July	9am

2025-26 Term Dates

Autumn Term

- Monday 1st September 2025 **INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 2nd September to Friday 17th October 2025
- Half Term - Monday 20th October to Friday 31st October 2025*
- Monday 3rd November to Friday 19th December 2025

Spring Term

- Monday 5th January 2026 **INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 6th January to Thursday 12th February 2026
- Friday 13th February **MAT INSET DAY**
- Half Term – Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026*
- Monday 23rd February to Friday 27th March 2026

Summer Term

- Monday 13th April **INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 14th April to Friday 23rd May 2025 (May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 5th May)
- Half Term – Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026*

Monday 1st June to Friday 24th July 2026 **6th July INSET DAY**