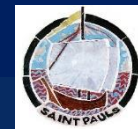


St Paul's Newsletter – Autumn 6.9.22



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Headteacher's Message

Welcome to a new school year!

All of our pupils have made an excellent start to the term and it is wonderful to be welcoming so many new staff and pupils to our school family. Last year, we were seriously hampered by staff shortages and did not always get information out to parents with as much lead time as we would have liked and so this very early Newsletter contains helpful housekeeping information and advance warning about upcoming events occurring in the first few weeks of the term.

The majority of our communications with parents are via ParentMail and an invitation has been sent out to all of the families who joined our school for the first time this week. If you have yet to register, please do so as soon as possible so that you are able to receive the information we send out.

Mrs Taylor

PE and Swimming

Swimming is part of the PE National Curriculum for every pupil. Lessons will start next week and the timetable will be as follows:

On swimming days, pupils should come to school dressed in uniform, including school shoes, and bring their kit (costume or trunks, towel and swimming hat) to change into at the pool. We ask that swimming trunks are close fitting and not long, baggy Bermuda style shorts and that girls wear a one piece suit. Swimming hats can be purchased from school.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
5D, 6D, 3H	5K, 4C, 3K	5S, 4R, 3B	6T, 6B, 4P

Outdoor PE

All classes will have outdoor PE on Thursday, **starting this week. Pupils should come to school dressed in PE kit.** (navy or black shorts or tracksuit, plain white t-shirt). PE & games lessons take place every week in all but the most extreme weather and, therefore, we ask that pupils bring their uniform too, in case they have to change into dry clothes.

Thursday Outdoor PE – all classes
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Forest School Sessions

Forest School is a child-led programme that forms part of our curriculum for every pupil at St Paul's. It takes place in our woodland and focuses on developing personal, emotional and social skills through learner-led, nature-based learning.

Sessions allow opportunities for every child to build relationships with both adults and their peers, often based on trust and self-exploration. It builds self-confidence, self-awareness, empathy, self-motivation and self-control. Reflective activities form a prominent role in Forest School sessions; it is known that the power in learning is in doing the activity, but reflection provides the same power by allowing our children time to articulate thoughts, be it verbally or through art.

The timetable for this term's sessions can be found below and pupils will need to bring suitable clothing with them on that day e.g. track suit bottoms, hoodie, T shirt and trainers. Shorts and skirts are unsuitable for the woodland area.

12 th Sep	19 th Sep	26 th Sep	3 rd Oct	10 th Oct	17 th Oct	7 th Nov	14 th Nov	21 st Nov	28 th Nov	5 th Dec	12 th Dec
3K	6B	5D	5S	4C	4R	6D	4P	6T	3B	3H	5K

Open Morning – 6th October 2022

We will be holding our first open event on Thursday 6th October, giving you an opportunity to see our school during a normal working day.

School will be open from 9.00am to 9.55am and should you wish to drop in during these times, please sign in at the Oxford Road entrance, where you will be issued with a visitor's badge and map. We make no changes to the timetable and lessons run as normal for this event to give you a feel of what learning is like at St Paul's. If you are unable to visit on the 6th, we will be holding further open events throughout the year.

Class Assemblies

Each class will deliver two assemblies per year. The majority of which will take place on Friday morning.

Assemblies last approximately 15 minutes and start at 9.00 am. Parents of the class are welcome to join us for these occasions.

Entrance to the school, is via the Oxford Road entrance and this is the timetable for this term.

Autumn Term	
23rd Sep	6B
30th Sep	4P
7th Oct	3B
11th Oct (Tuesday)	5S
21st Oct	3K
18th Nov	6T
24th Nov* (Thursday)	6D
2nd Dec	4R
16th Dec	5D

Clubs

Information about clubs will be sent out to all parents via Parentmail on Monday 12th September. We limit club places to two per child to ensure that as many pupils as possible are able to participate in extracurricular activities.

School Lunches

The new price of a Caterlink school lunch is £2.30. Caterlink operate a cashless system and for your child to have a school lunch, their Tuscasi account must be in credit. If new to the school, the access code has been sent to you as a hard copy letter. For our Year 3 pupils, the letter was in your Welcome Pack.

Curriculum Information Evening – 21st September

Each teaching team will give a short presentation on the curriculum and talk about ways in which we can work together to ensure the best possible outcomes for your child this year. They will also briefly touch on 'housekeeping' matters such as homework etc. each year group will deliver the same presentation twice so parents with children in different year groups have the opportunity to attend. For this event, please enter school via the Murray Road entrance as the office will be closed. there will be staff at the doors waiting to direct you to where the presentations will take place.

Year Group	Presentation	Presentation	Venue
3	5.00pm – 5.30pm	5.45pm – 6.15pm	3B
4	5.30pm – 6.00pm	5.45pm – 6.15pm	4P
5	5.30pm – 6.00pm	5.45pm – 6.15pm	5D
6	5.30pm – 6.00pm	5.45pm – 6.15pm	6B

EnergyKidz will be in session so please avoid walking through the hall.

Curriculum Celebration – 6th December

We will be throwing open the doors and displaying lots of pupil's work from this term to give parents and pupils an opportunity to visit classrooms and look at displays of some of the learning we have been doing this term.

Parents' Consultations – 2nd and 3rd November

Parents' Consultations will be face to face meetings and you will have the opportunity to look through books and visit classrooms. Meetings with teachers will take place in the main hall.

Booking will open on Monday 10th October and instructions of how to make an appointment will be sent out the week before, via ParentMail.

Diary Dates	
28 th Sept – Mon 4 th Oct	Travelling Book Fair – books will be on sale after school
Mon 3 rd Oct	Cardwell & Son – individual pupil photographs
Wed 5 th October 6.30pm – 7.30pm	Liddington Information Evening – Y6 parents only (main hall)
Thur 6 th October 09.00am – 09.55am	Open Morning
Thur 6 th October 11.00am – 12.00	Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church – parents welcome to join us.
Mon 10 th October	Online booking opens for Parents' Consultations
Thur 13 th October 6.15pm – 7.30pm	PTA Disco Y3 & Y4
Thur 13 th October 7.45pm – 9.15pm	PTA Disco Y5 & Y6
Mon 24 th – Fri 28 th October	Half Term
Wed 2 nd & Thurs 3 rd November	Parents' Consultations
Tues 15 th November	Flu Immunisations for Y3 to Y6
Fri 2 nd Dec	PTA Christmas fair 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Tue 6 th Dec	Curriculum Celebration 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Mon 12 th Dec	Christmas Celebration, St Paul's Church 2pm- 3pm
Tues 13 th & Wed 14 th	Christmas Celebration, St Paul's Church 6.00pm – 7pm
Tues 20 th Dec	End of term – 2pm finish