

St Paul's Newsletter – Summer 28.06.24

'One body, every person, growing together.'



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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents,



Mrs Wells and Mrs King who worked like trojans to keep track of the points from each round of events. It was a superb team effort and the first time in 20 years that the event has finished ahead of schedule. Thank you, Mr Singleton, who is a licensed Commercial Drone Pilot, for kindly capturing proceedings from the air with his drone.

We are immensely proud of the children who each played their part, behaving impeccably and efficiently transitioning between activities. We have never had a Sports Day run so smoothly and it was lovely so many parents were able to join us; we hope that you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. Congratulations to all the pupils in **Walter House**, overall winners, and to **Jameson House** who were awarded the Sportsmanship Cup.

This week has been exceptionally busy - we have managed to cram in Year 3 trips, visits from Year 2 pupils joining us in September, Year 6 Production rehearsals, assessments in Y3, 4 and 5, a New Parents' Morning and 5K's 'delicious' class assembly. It was a sweet treat to see the children enjoying themselves as much as they did and the icing on the cake was their performance of 'Food, Glorious Food'. Well done 5K!



Our fabulous PTA Committee have also been hard at it this week, providing refreshments for Sports Day, Bags for School and their Frozen Sale. Thank you for supporting each of these initiatives and helping raise another £260.83 for the school.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Taylor

Last Thursday saw the whole school out on the field for Sports Day. We had beautiful weather and it was a fun morning with the children working collaboratively, in mixed year teams. The event ran without a hitch, thanks to the fantastic planning and organisation by Mrs Foster. She was ably assisted by Mrs Judd and, on the day, by our staff, the team from Just Play Sports and by



New Clubs for the Autumn Term

USports came into school on Wednesday and delivered an exciting assembly telling the children about some new clubs that will be starting in the Autumn term. We are pleased to confirm that we will be running a gymnastics club on Tuesday mornings and dance on Thursday mornings, both from 7.45am. Full details will soon be available on our website.

Details of all our Autumn Term clubs will be provided before the end of this term.

Wokingham & Emmbrook U9



Evan and Samuel's Wokingham & Emmbrook football team came second in the ESF Grand Final held at St George's Park, where the England teams train. They were undefeated and came second out of an original 1100 under 9 teams who competed. Well done to Wokingham & Emmbrook and particularly Evan and Samuel!

Sports News



What a fantastic afternoon we've had today at the Brownlee Foundation mini triathlon event at Bracknell Leisure Centre. We had 43 children from years 3,4 and 5 taking part completing a swim, bike ride and finishing with a run.

The children were all fantastic ambassadors for St Paul's and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves at this extremely well-organised event! They all received a medal, t-shirt and goody bag at the end!

Swimming

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.

Mondays			Tuesdays			Wednesdays			Fridays		
5D	3D	3H	5K	3B	4P	5M	6B	4B	6T	4R	6S

Class Assemblies

Just a reminder about upcoming class assemblies, the majority of which will take place on Friday morning. These events last approximately 15 minutes and start promptly at 9.00 am. Parents of the class performing are welcome to join us for these occasions and should **enter the school via the Oxford Road entrance**.

05/07	17/07
3D	4R

Playtime Snacks

As a Healthy School, we encourage children to bring in a healthy snack for morning break. This may be fruit, vegetable sticks dried fruit or a nut free cereal bar.

Contacting the School Office

If you email our school office, please remember to include your child's full name and their class. This is the most effective way to ensure messages are passed on quickly and leaves no room for error.

Forest School



We have welcomed 6B and 3D into the woods over the past two Monday afternoons. It was a special time with our Y6's as it was a final session before their move onto secondary school. During our reflection they shared who and what they were grateful for.



Last week, our afternoon groups had a busy time tending to the allotments, planting runner beans and

tomatoes and harvesting the first crop of strawberries, which they declared to be delicious! The change in weather has also meant that they have needed to ensure their crops are being kept well-watered.



We were introduced to a new game by Katherine called 10 seconds in the jungle, which was enjoyed by everyone and certainly challenged the children.

Our reflection was focused on the emotions that we had felt during the afternoon. The children spoke about feeling happy, proud, frustrated and creative.

This week, we have been continuing the St Paul's tradition of cooking s'mores over the camp fire for our last session together. The children learned about the fire triangle, along with the safety rules connected with lighting a fire and cooking on it.

The children then revisited favourite activities: tree climbing, crafting, balancing on the slackline, making swings and playing team games.

Our reflection this week has been focused on gratitude – who and what we are grateful for. The children shared their gratitude for our woods and nature, friends and family along with food, water and education.

01/07	15/07	16/07	17/07	18/07
6S	6T	3B	4R	5D



If your child is attending a Forest School session, please can you provide them with long trousers and a long-sleeved top. This will enable them to move around our woodland more freely, without being stung by the nettles. Thank you.

Absence Reporting

If your child is not able to attend school due to illness, please email absence@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk by 8.15am on each day of the absence. Please ensure you give your child's name, class and symptoms: stating that your child is 'unwell' is not sufficient information for our records. As from September we will no longer have access to the absence reporting element of ParentMail.

Next Week at School

Monday 1 st July – Friday 5 th July	Accepting Tombola Donations for the Summer Fair
Tuesday 2 nd July	3B Riverside Walk – Emm Brook
Wednesday 3 rd July	3H Riverside Walk – Emm Brook
Friday 5 th July	Dress Down Day for Summer Fair
Friday 5 th July	9.00am 3D Class Assembly
Friday 5 th July	2.00pm Year 6 Production – Lights... Camera... Action!
Saturday 6 th July	11.00am – 2.00pm PTA – Summer Fair

Diary Dates

Monday 8 th July	6.00pm Year 6 Production – Lights... Camera... Action!
Friday 12 th July	End of Year Reports
Friday 12 th July	PTA – Frozen Friday
Tuesday 16 th July	Enterprise Day
Wednesday 17 th July	9.00am 4R Assembly
Wednesday 17 th July	6.30pm Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Friday 19 th July	9.30am Leavers' Service at St Paul's Church – Year 6 parents welcome
Friday 19 th July	End of Term – 2.00pm finish



MOVING ON TO SECONDARY

10 July and 17 July, 7.30pm to 9pm, only

£15 - free to those on jobseeking

Building on the information given by the course from a practical and emotional perspective. Particularly helpful for parents and carers whose child is anxious around the move.

The course looks at how secondary schools work and discusses issues around practical organisation, friendship issues, and managing anxiety.

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Multiply

Sensory Learning

5 July, Friday
10am until 12pm
Finchampstead Children within FBC Centre, Finchampstead

Learn how to support children's maths learning through fun multi-sensory activities.

Ideal for primary school parents/ carers of children who may find maths difficult or those with SEND

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WOKINGHAM CARERS PARTNERSHIP

NEW!

EVENING CARERS GROUP

WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY

6.30PM-8.30PM
@THE SEDERO LOUNGE,
WOKINGHAM,
RG40 1AZ

As a parent/family carer juggling home life, work and caring, responsibilities can easily leave you feeling isolated and overwhelmed at times. That's why we're extending an invitation to come for a coffee and chat. Join us for a relaxing and informal evening, share your experiences and build a supportive network where you can connect with other family carers of children and adults with learning disabilities/autism.

THE GROUP WILL RUN ON THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH



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