

St Paul's Newsletter – Spring 08.03.24

'One body, every person, growing together.'



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Headteacher's Message

Dear St Paul's Families,

What a week! I'd like to start by thanking every member of our school family including pupils; staff; governors and parents for the fantastic support during our Ofsted Inspection on Wednesday and Thursday. Your words of encouragement emails, messages and sweet treats were greatly appreciated. I'll be able to show the results of our inspection in due course but in the meantime, what I can say, is how proud we were to be able to showcase our wonderful school and pupils.

I was sorry to have missed 5K's assembly on Wednesday. Miss Plumley gave me a rave review about 5K's learning in History and how the children made it entertaining and memorable for everyone. Well done 5K!



The New Age Kurling and Boccia were a big hit with the children and the results of the tournament will be announced next week.



After school yesterday, there was more inter-house rivalry with the cross-country race won by Selwyn. Well done to all sixty-seven participants. The full results can be found below.



We rounded the week off in style celebrating World Book Day and Mrs Tustin had us enthralled by trying to guess who were the masked readers and their books.



Mothering Sunday falls this weekend and I would like to wish a very Happy Mother's Day to all those who are mothers, step-mothers, foster-mothers and those who have stepped into the role of mother.

I know this can be a difficult weekend for some of our families and I will be thinking of you.

Have good weekend everyone.

Mrs Taylor

Inter-house Cross Country Results!

Congratulations to all the runners who took part in the Inter House Cross Country races yesterday. It was perfect weather – lovely to bask in the spring sunshine. So many fantastic performances but the best bit was seeing all the children supporting

each other and cheering each other on. Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped to marshal the course and ensure the safety of the runners!

The results were as follows:

<u>Y3/4 Girls</u>	<u>Y3/4 Boys</u>	<u>Y5/6 Girls</u>	<u>Y5/6 Boys</u>
Selwyn – 1 st	Selwyn – 1 st	Selwyn – 1 st	Jameson – 1 st
Lewis – 2 nd	Jameson – 2 nd	Walter – 2 nd	Walter – 2 nd
Jameson – 3 rd	Walter – 3 rd	Jameson – 3 rd	Lewis – 3 rd
Walter – 3 rd	Lewis – 4 th	Lewis – 4 th	Selwyn – 4 th

Overall

Massive congratulations to Selwyn for winning the 2023-2024 Inter-House Cross-Country event. We will present the trophy in the sports assembly. The results were as follows:

Selwyn – 1st
Jameson – 2nd
Walter – 3rd
Lewis – 4th

Just Play Sports Easter Holiday Club

Just Play Sports' Easter holiday club is [open for booking](#).



What's on

The usual jam-packed, sporty games are available, including football, multi skills, archery, tennis, cricket and arts and crafts. Just Play Sports are our after school club provider who run a lot of our popular school clubs, so they're a safe option to guarantee fun-filled days this February.

Savings available

Save:

- 10% when you book the whole week
- 10% for siblings

Childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare – we accept childcare vouchers or tax-free childcare. Take a look at the attached flyer for all the information of how to [book your children on](#)

Any questions? Give the friendly team an email at info@justplaysports.co.uk

First Days Children's Charity Colour Run & Easter Hop

First Days have two of their family fun events coming up;

1. **Easter Hop;** Friday 29 March – Sunday 14 April at Sandhurst Memorial Park. Simply pick up a trail map from Sandhurst Café in the Park, find the letters scattered around the park to discover the secret Easter-themed word and get rewarded with a sweet treat.
2. **Colour Run** - Sunday 12 May at Prospect Park, Reading. A fun event for the whole family. You can walk, run, dance, crawl or hop your way around the 2.5km course – once or twice. There will be four colour stations where you emerge a different colour to the one you started!!

JAG – After School and Easter Holiday Club

Join JAG after school and in the Easter holidays!

JAG are committed to providing a lively and enriching environment that resonates with the inquisitive spirit of your young World Explorers. It's not just a theme; it's a reflection of their dedication to making learning an exciting and memorable adventure for every child.

Secure your child's spot in advance and enjoy significant savings!

Unlock a Weekly Booking Discount if you book a full week (Mon-Fri) - automatically applied at checkout!

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Forest School News



We welcomed 4B to the woodland on Monday afternoon, where they took their turn to become very successful nature detectives. The children talked about how the woods made them feel calm, happy, excited and proud.

Our afternoon groups have been out on field trips to Holt Copse again this week, creating trails and finding points of interest to share. We have enjoyed listening to the sound of a woodpecker, squelching through the mud, spotting some of the 50 bird boxes that have been erected by volunteers and discovering the murky puddle that Father Richard's dog, Bramble, enjoys splashing around in. The children decided that it should be called Bramble's Pond! (please see the photo on the right)



Over the past two weeks we have taken over 70 children out to Holt Copse and their behaviour has been impeccable – they have embodied all of our school values and have been great ambassadors for St Paul's. Well done to you all, you have made Mrs McBain and Mrs Gray very proud!

11/03	18/03	25/03	26/03
6B	5D	3H	4R

Congratulations Izzy and Emily!



Izzy (5D) and Emily (3B) took part in their first swimming meet last weekend, for Bracknell & Wokingham Swim Club. Izzy placed 3rd in freestyle and Emily placed 1st in both breaststroke and freestyle! Well done girls!



Football Success for Wokingham District Team

We are celebrating more sporting success this week as Theo (6T) and his Wokingham District team won the semi-final of the ESFA National cup against Merton District 6-1. Well done Theo on scoring 2 of the goals! The team now look forward to playing the Final against Liverpool in Stoke later in the season. A massive achievement for the district!

Absence Reporting

If your child is not able to attend school due to illness, parents are asked to email absence@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk by 8.15am each day of the absence. Please ensure your child's name, class and symptoms; stating that your child is 'unwell' is not sufficient information for our records.

The Next Week at School

Tuesday 12 th March	Y5 Winchester Science Museum Trip
Friday 15 th March 9am	3D Class Assembly
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day – school uniform and option to wear a red nose

Diary Dates	
Monday 18 th March – morning	Y5 Theatre Visit at The Holt School
Monday 18 th March - 5.30pm	SATs Information Evening for Year 6 parents
Friday 22 nd March 9am	4R Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 th March 9.30am	Easter Service at St Paul's Church – All welcome
Wednesday 27 th March	Y4 Ufton Court Trip
Thursday 28 th March	End of Term – 2.00pm finish
Monday 15 th April	Start of Summer Term



St Paul's CE Junior School Term Dates
2024 to 2025

Autumn 2024	
Thursday 5th September - Start of Term	
28th October to 1st November - Half Term Break	
Friday 20th December - End of Term (2pm finish)	
Spring 2025	
Tuesday 7th January - Start of Term	
17th February to 21st February - Half Term Break	
Friday 28th March - School Closed - Inset Day	
Friday 4th April - End of Term (2pm finish)	
Summer 2025	
Tuesday 22nd April - Start of Term	
Monday 5th May - School Closed - Bank Holiday	
26th May to 30th May - Half Term Break	
Monday 2nd June - School Closed - Inset Day	
Wednesday 23rd July - End of Term (2pm finish)	

just play sports

2-12 April

Easter holiday clubs

Banish holiday boredom with our jam-packed sessions for children aged 4-12

Discover a new sport or game

Play awesome games, competitions and matches across:

- Football • Multi-skills • Archery • Parachute games
- Tennis • Rounders • Dodgeball • Cricket • Arts and crafts

Savings to suit every pocket

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10% when you book the whole week
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Where you'll find the fun
St Paul's Junior School, Wokingham
Colleton Primary School, Twyford
Oaklands Junior School, Crowthorne*
Cranford Park Primary School, Yateley*

Flexibility to suit you
Standard day: 10.00am - 3.30pm
Extended day: 8.30am - 5.30pm
4-year-olds: 10.00am - 2.00pm

Use your childcare vouchers or pay with tax-free childcare

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A family event at
Sandhurst Memorial Park
this Easter holidays (29th March - 14th April)

Easter Hop

- Purchase a map for £3 from the Sandhurst Park Cafe
- Find the Easter Hop posters around the park
- Each poster has a letter that you write down on your map
- Unscramble the letters to find the secret words
- Learn about Sandhurst Memorial Park associates
- Be rewarded with a chocolate goody at the end.

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