St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear Parents,

Our wonderful PTA and band of parent helpers were at it again on Thursday evening! The children attending each of the Christmas Discos had a great time. They were a fun way to round off the final few days of this term. Thank you to Mr Millen for braving the elements to ensure that parking ran smoothly at drop-off and pick-up time.

We had great fun this morning in assembly, which was led by Father Richard who continued in the time honoured tradition of rounding off our final assembly with an interactive rendition of 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'. The see the children in action, follow this <u>link</u>.

Our very best wishes go with all of our leavers who are off to pastures new, Mrs Apps, Andrei Munteanu, Shriya Kuchimanchi, and Timo and Leo Walker Arvola. We wish them every success in the future and hope that Andrei, Shriya, Timo and Leo soon make friends at their new schools.

Thank you to the governors and volunteers who have come into school each week to hear readers, support with sewing, and help with trips and special events. Your support has been invaluable and we are hugely appreciative of your efforts. Thanks also to Sue Chapman who led this week's Year 3 Christingle Celebration on Tuesday. It was a lovely service, made all the more special by having Sue with us again this year.

As we come to the end of what can only be described as a frantically busy but fabulously enjoyable Autumn Term, I would like to wish you a very peaceful and happy Christmas. Having worked so hard, the children and staff are definitely ready for a well-deserved break and the opportunity to recharge their batteries in readiness for the New Year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back and ready to learn on Monday 6th January.

Mrs Taylor

Headteacher





Upcoming Events

January 6 2020 – Start of Spring Term

January 9

Year 6 Trip to Milestones Museum

Safeguarding

We have it on good authority that Santa is likely to be bringing lots of smart devices to Wokingham this Christmas. Whilst technology offers many exciting opportunities, it is vital that children stay safe when online. They are vulnerable even if devices are well set up and their use monitored as not everyone in the digital world is who they say they are. Grooming can occur both offline and online, with technology being used to initiate and facilitate contact with a child. For a parents' guide to grooming, please follow the link here.

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Year 3 Christingle Celebration



Each element of a Christingle has a special meaning and helps to tell the Christian story:

- The orange represents the world
- The red ribbon (or tape) symbolises the love and blood of Christ
- The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations
- The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world, bringing hope to people living in darkness.

As you can see, the children had a fabulous time constructing their Christingles and the day culminated in a special service led by Sue.

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iRock Concert

What talented children we have at St Paul's! On Monday and Thursday, we were treated to two spectacular concerts by the children – iRock and Violin. It was lovely for the children to be able to showcase all of their hard work throughout the term to their parents, and a delightful way to end the term.













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Violin Concert

The concert was a great celebration of the progress the children have made this term. They impressed their audience with a variety of Christmassy tunes. Ms Edwards said that it was the best violin playing we have ever heard, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed each duo, soloist and ensemble piece.

















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Run the World – End of Term Summary

In total, the children have run 56,336 laps of the playground, which is a very impressive average of 146 laps per child.

This converts to just over 14,000 miles. That's from Wokingham to Christchurch in New Zealand, and back to Sydney in Australia (and a bit more)!

Congratulations to Year 3 who ran the most laps this term. Despite being our newest children, they embraced Run the World wholeheartedly in their first term and ran over 20,000 laps.

A big mention to 3D for being the class completing the most laps in the term, 10, 546. Well done!

Mrs. V Judd, PE & Games Assistant

Reading FC Ticketing Scheme



The school received a certificate to acknowledge its involvement in the Reading FC Grassroots Ticketing Scheme over the 2018/2019 season. The scheme allows St Paul's children and their families to buy discounted tickets to selected home games, while raising money for the school at the same time.

We earned £40 over the 2018/2019 season, and hope to raise even more this year. The last two sponsored games are against Stoke City on Saturday 14 March (SPJS-1920-4) and Swansea City on Saturday 2 May (SPJS-1920-5). Please quote the code when you book your tickets to ensure the school benefits while you enjoy the match.

St Paul's PTA

Jeans for Genes Day



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Diary Dates		
Monday 6 th January 2020	START OF TERM	
Thursday 9 th January 2020	Year 6 Trip to Milestones Museum	
Term Dates can be found on the website here		

Class Forest School Dates			
Wednesday 8th January	5P	Wednesday 26th February	4A
Wednesday 15th January	6W	Wednesday 4th March	4L
Wednesday 22nd January	6B	Wednesday 11th March	3D
Wednesday 29th January	5K	Wednesday 18th March	ЗB
Wednesday 5th February	5S	Wednesday 25th March	ЗF
Wednesday 12th February	6G		

Class Assembly Dates (9.15am – 9.40am)		Spring Term 2020	PE & Games	Games
Friday 24th January	6B	Monday	5S 5P 6G 6B	
Friday 31# January	4A	Tuesday	4L 4A 4M	
Friday 7th February	ЗB	Wednesday	3F 5K 6W	
Friday 31# February	4A	Thursday		All Classes
Friday 7th February	3B	Friday	3D 3B	
Friday 14th February	ЗF			
Friday 6th March	4M			
Friday 13th March	4L			
Friday 27th March	5S			

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Year 5 Imagineering	Multisports – 3.30pm	Nutritional Ninjas –	All Years Football -
	Club – 3.30pm	(8/1/20 – 1/4/20)	3.30pm (16/1/20 –	3.30pm (10/1/20 –
	(14/1/20 – 24/3/20)		26/3/20)	27/3/20)
	French Club –	Years 5/6 Netball Club		
	3.30pm	– 3.30pm		
	(14/1/20 – 24/3/20)	(8/1/20 – 18/3/20)		
		Chess Club – 3,30pm (8/1/20 – 25/3/20)		

There will be no clubs on the following dates:-

W/b 17 th February	Half Term
Tuesday 3 rd March	Parent Consultations – no early morning clubs
Wednesday 4 th March	Parent Consultations – no after school Chess Club or Netball Club

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