St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear All,

On Monday, pupils in Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in the Louis Taylor Road Safety Show, learning about the importance of safe behaviour for pedestrians and road users. Louis is a skilled entertainer who has been running safety workshops for children of all ages for many years and he uses a variety of ways to get important safety messages across, including magic, drama and puppets.



4M did a marvellous job yesterday of launching our World Book Day celebrations with a special assembly. Having written much of the script themselves, the children re-enacted their favourite parts of well-loved works of fiction, encouraging other pupils, parents and staff to try to guess the name of each book. It was a great way to kick off the day!

Our second celebration came later, when teachers and Learning Mentors shared extracts from a range of children's books which had left a lasting impression since reading them for the first time. Some were old favourites for pupils too, but it was also good to hear about potential new reads.

All in all, it was a really enjoyable day and everyone looked fabulous in their book character costumes. Thank you very much for all the time and trouble that went into helping the children arrive dressed to impress - well done too to those members of staff who joined in the fun!

We held a total of 352 appointments for this week's Parents Consultations, enabling the teachers to celebrate the achievements and progress the children have made so far this year. If you are one of the 29 sets of parents who were unable to join us, please speak directly to your child's class teacher, as I know they will be keen to feedback on how well your child is doing and enjoy the opportunity to share the work in their books.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Taylor Headteacher



Upcoming Events

March 9 Year 5 Ancient Greek Day

March 10-11 Travelling Book Fair, 3.45-4.15pm

March 11 3D Forest School Session

March 13 4L Class Assembly, 9.15am

March 13 Travelling Book Fair 3.45-4.15pm

March 16 Travelling Book Fair, 3.45-4.15pm

Safeguarding

Minecraft

With 112 million online players per month, Minecraft is, arguably, one of the most beloved video games of all time. Whilst considered relatively safe generally speaking, there are some safety precautions you may wish to consider before allowing your child unmonitored use of the game.



Query of the Week ~ What do I do if I am unhappy with the secondary school my child has been allocated?

All admissions for pupils in Wokingham Borough Council are handled centrally by their Admissions Team and they would be the first point of contact for advice or information regarding appealing a decision. They can be contacted on admissions@wokingham.gov.uk or via the main switchboard at Shute End 0118 974 6000.

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Coronavirus

We will continue to update you as we receive information from WBC, the Department for Education and Public Health England. Department for Education coronavirus helpline.

The Department for Education coronavirus helpline is now available to answer questions about COVID-19 relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: <u>DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk</u>

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Where to find the latest information

Updates on COVID-19:

https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

Travel advice for those travelling and living overseas:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus

Latest Department for Education information:

- https://twitter.com/educationgovuk
- https://www.facebook.com/educationgovuk/

World Book Day Tokens and Travelling Book Fair

Travelling Book Fair will visit school from 10th March until 16th March, and will be found on the playground outside 4A and 4L from 3:45pm - 4:15pm on Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th, Friday 13th and Monday 16th. If wet, the sale will be held inside those classes instead. World Book Day tokens can be used at the Fair.



Times of the Day and Punctuality

The gates to the playground open at 8.30am and the doors into school at 8.40am, ready for the start of the day at 8.50am. It is important for pupils to arrive on time as it enables them to catch up with their friends and have a calm, well ordered start to the day. It is horrible to have to walk into a lesson after a lesson has already begun. Not only is it stressful, it also disrupts the learning of others. If arriving after school has started, entry is via the Oxford Road entrance.

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Incredible Years Parenting Course

An Incredible Years parenting course for parents with primary aged children (4-11yrs) is being run at Hawkedon Primary School on 23rd April to 16th July. Parents this course would suit may be struggling with some of these issues:

- Argumentative & defiant behaviour
- Unwillingness to accept and follow adult requests and rules
- Frequent over-sensitivity, touchiness & is easily annoyed by others
- Often blames others for their mistakes / misbehaviour
- Often deliberately annoys others
- Parents are worried or stressed and wonder if things will ever get easier.

See below for further information. Places can be booked directly on (0118) 908 8002 or email triage@wokingham.gov.uk.

Reducing Parental Conflict & Incredible Years Project Coordinator WBC Children's Services

| Diary Dates 2020 | | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| March | | | | | |
| Monday 9 th March | Year 5 Ancient Greek Day | | | | |
| Wednesday 11 th March | 3D Forest School Session | | | | |
| Friday 13th March | 4L Class Assembly: 9.15am | | | | |
| Tuesday 17 th March – Friday 20 th March | Year 5 Bikeability Training | | | | |
| Wednesday 18 th March | 3B Forest School Session | | | | |
| Thursday 19th March | 4A Class Assembly: 9.15am | | | | |
| Thursday 19th March | TVRL Relays, Bulmershe School | | | | |
| Thursday 19 th March | Year 6 Easter Experience – Wokingham Baptist Church | | | | |
| Tuesday 24 th – Friday 27 th March | Year 5 Bikeability Training | | | | |
| Wednesday 25 th March | 3F Forest School Session | | | | |
| Wednesday 25 th March | Years 5/6 Netball House Matches: 3.30pm-4.30pm | | | | |
| Thursday 26 th March | Years 5/6 Football House Matches: 3.30-4.30pm | | | | |
| Friday 27 th March | 5S Class Assembly: 9.15am | | | | |
| Sunday 29 th March | WASMA concert, Hexagon | | | | |
| Monday 30 th March – Wednesday 1 st April | Year 5 Bikeability Training | | | | |
| April | | | | | |
| Wednesday 1st April | 4M Forest School Session | | | | |
| Thursday 2 nd April | END OF TERM: 2.00PM | | | | |
| Friday 3 rd April | INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED | | | | |
| Monday 20 th April | START OF TERM | | | | |
| May | | | | | |
| 11 th – 14 th May | SATs Week | | | | |

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| Class Assembly Dates (9.15am – 9.40am) – Spring Term 2020 | | Spring Term 2020 | PE & Games | Games |
|---|-----|------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Friday 13 th March | 4L | Monday | 5S 6G 6B (6W from 24.2.20) | |
| Thursday 19th March | 4A | Tuesday | 4L 4A 4M | |
| Friday 27 th March | 5\$ | Wednesday | 3F 5K 5P 6W (6G from 24.2.20) | |
| | | Thursday | | All Classes |
| | | Friday | 3D 3B | |

| Class Forest School Dates – Spring Term 2020 | | | | | | |
|---|----|--|--|--|--|--|
| Wednesday 4th March | 4L | | | | | |
| Wednesday 11th March | 3D | | | | | |
| Wednesday 18th March | 3B | | | | | |
| Wednesday 25th March | 3F | | | | | |
| Wednesday 1st April | 4M | | | | | |
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| Clubs – Spring Term 2020 | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | | | | | |
| Running Club – | Badminton Club – | Yoga Club – 07.45am | Gymnastics Club – | | | | | | |
| 07.45am | 07.45am | (8/1/20 – 18/3/20) | 07.45am | | | | | | |
| (13/1/20 – 23/3/20) | (14/1/20 – 24/3/20) | | 9/1/20 - 19/3/20 | | | | | | |
| | Lego Club – Lunchtime | All Years Girls Football – lunchtime | | | | | | | |
| | (14/1/20 – 24/3/20) | (15/1/20 – 1/4/20) | | | | | | | |
| Years 3/4 Football – Lunchtime (13/1/20 – 30/3/20) | Years 4/5/6 Tag Rugby Club – Lunchtime (14/1/20 – 24/3/20) | Years 3 & 4 Lunchtime Netball Club (8/1/20 – 12/2/20) | Years 4/5 Football - Lunchtime (9/1/20 – 26/3/20) | | | | | | |
| | | Year 6 Football – lunchtime (15/1/20 – 1/4/20) | | | | | | | |
| | Year 5 Imagineering | Multisports – 3.30pm | Nutritional Ninjas – | All Years Football - | | | | | |
| | Club – 3.30pm (14/1/20 – 24/3/20) | (8/1/20 – 1/4/20) | 3.30pm (16/1/20 – 26/3/20) | 3.30pm (10/1/20 – 27/3/20) | | | | | |
| | French Club - | Years 5/6 Netball Club | | | | | | | |
| | 3.30pm (14/1/20 – 24/3/20) | – 3.30pm (8/1/20 – 18/3/20) | | | | | | | |
| | | Chess Club – 3.30pm (8/1/20 – 25/3/20) | | | | | | | |

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