# St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear All,

The wintery start to this morning was vastly improved by a lovely assembly delivered by 3B who brought 'forces' to life. It was a fascinating, informative presentation and I have no doubt that they will have lots of customers keen to purchase their ingenious inventions!

This week was Children's Mental Health Week and our assemblies have focused on 'Finding Your Brave' and the importance of asking for help when big and uncomfortable feelings or emotions get in the way.

More and more frequently, the difficulties many of our older pupils appear to be facing are linked to social media and we are regularly having to intervene where pupils have got themselves into difficulty outside of school by posting inappropriate and unkind comments on social media. The impact is significant. Not only does it unsettle everyone involved, but a huge amount of learning time is then wasted as staff try and resolve a situation that has occurred outside of school in the evening or at weekends. "It was just a joke" and "I didn't think" are poor excuses when a child has been left feeling embarrassed and humiliated because of something another child has posted.

We teach the children about responsible use of digital technology and how to stay safe online. We hold special assemblies which focus on the importance of maintaining a positive digital footprint. Through PHSE, Circle Time and many other curriculum areas, we spend time discussing and learning about what our core values look like in practice. Posting inappropriate content online goes against everything we teach and stand for as a school.

Without any parental control or monitoring, it's impossible to know whether your child is a victim, the perpetrator or someone who is aware of what is being posted and is therefore complicit. We cannot urge you strongly enough to regularly check that your child is using technology appropriately so they remain safe and their actions could never be interpreted as unkind, abusive or bullying behaviour.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Taylor Headteacher





# **Upcoming Events**

**February 12** Red Watch Fire Safety Team to Visit Year 5

**February 12** 6G Class Forest School Session

**February 13** Cross Country House Matches, 3.30-4.30pm

**February 14** 3F Class Assembly, 9.15am

# Safeguarding

Before you post ...



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## Coronavirus

We have been advised by the DfE that parents should not be unduly worried about the possibility of children catching the Coronavirus.



There is no reason why pupils should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

#### What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

The teachers regularly remind the children about basic hygiene and have again reminded them about it this week. The latest government guidance and information can be found at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public</a>

#### Thank You!

A huge thank you to our parents and governors who accompanied Year 3 on their Wokingham Walk earlier this week. The children had a marvelous time investigating the local area and finding out about how our town has changed over time. As you can see from the selection of photographs taken, a good time was had by all.













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## Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day (SID) 2020 is fast approaching. On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020, there will be millions around the globe, united to inspire positive change online. The campaign's slogan, "Together for a better internet", is a call to action for all stakeholders to join together and play their part in creating a better internet for everyone. A fundamental objective of the day is to engage all stakeholders in a concerted effort to encourage respectful interactions online, especially among the youngest users.



After a special assembly on "Free to be Me", our class digital leaders will be teaching their peers all about online identity and how to stay safe.

For advice and conversation starters for supporting your child follow the link https://www.childnet.com/ufiles/Let's-talk-about-life-online.pdf

# Holiday Attached to Half Term



If you are planning to get away over half term, please remember that leave attached to an existing school holiday will not be authorised.

## **Pupil News**

Last weekend Summer was a mascot at the Tottenham v Manchester City football game. She was lucky enough to meet all the players and walk out onto the pitch with Dele Alli. Tottenham won 2-0 and Summer had "the best day ever"!



#### **Run the World**

Year 3 ran 1320 laps, Year 4 2227 laps, Year 5 2040 laps and Year 6 912 laps. Congratulations to Year 4 for running the most laps and to 4A for the highest achieving class (1536) which is an excellent achievement.



Our journey across South America continues and takes us from Sobral in Brazil to Caracas in Venezuela.

Mrs C Foster, PE & Games Coordinator

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## **Hair Accessories**

Long hair should be tied back at all times and we ask that hair accessories are kept to a minimum.

On non-uniform days and at school discos, we encourage the children to go all out and we love to see them wearing bandanas, head squares, big bows, crystal covered hairbands, cat ears and other highly decorative accessories, but for the everyday, we ask that 'hair wear' is plain and simple.

# Menu Change



On Pancake Day, Tuesday 25th February, the pudding will be changed from syrup sponge to pancakes with a variety of toppings - ice cream, honey, mixed berries and chocolate drizzle.

From the week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February until the end of term, there will be a permanent change to the pudding on a Friday in Week 3 – the iced bun will be replaced with iced sponge.

#### Caterlink ~ Recruitment

Caterlink are currently looking for people to join their School Catering Team. Further information can be found on the advertisement below.

Please see below Diary dates, class assembly and class forest school dates, and club session dates.

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6G Forest School Session
Red Watch Fire Safety Team to Visit Year 5
Cross-County House Matches: 3.30-4.30pm
3F Class Assembly: 9.15am
HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED
4A Forest School Session
TVRL Braywick Park, Maidenhead
Parent Consultations: 8.50am – 11.10am
Parent Consultations: 3.50pm – 7.30pm
4L Forest School Session
World Book Day
4M Class Assembly: 9.15am
Year 5 Ancient Greek Day
3D Forest School Session
4L Class Assembly: 9.15am
Year 5 Bikeability Training
3B Forest School Session
4A Class Assembly: 9.15am
TVRL Relays, Bulmershe School
Year 6 Easter Experience – Wokingham Baptist Church
Year 5 Bikeability Training
3F Forest School Session
Years 5/6 Netball House Matches: 3.30pm-4.30pm
Years 5/6 Football House Matches: 3.30-4.30pm
5S Class Assembly: 9.15am
WASMA concert, Hexagon
Year 5 Bikeability Training
4M Forest School Session
END OF TERM: 2.00PM
INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
START OF TERM
SATs Week

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Class Assembly Dates (9.15am – 9.40am) – Spring Term 2020		Spring Term 2020	PE & Games	Games
Friday 14th February	3F	Monday	5S 6G 6B (6W from 24.2.20)	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	4M	Tuesday	4L 4A 4M	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	4L	Wednesday	3F 5K 5P 6W (6G from 24.2.20)	
Thursday 19th March	4A	Thursday		All Classes
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	5\$	Friday	3D 3B	

Class Forest School Dates – Spring Term 2020						
Wednesday 12th February	6G	Wednesday 1st April	4M			
Wednesday 26th February	4A					
Wednesday 4th March	4L					
Wednesday 11th March	3D					
Wednesday 18th March	3B					
Wednesday 25th March	3F					

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 –	All Years Girls Football						
	Lunchtime	– lunchtime						
	(14/1/20 – 24/3/20)	(15/1/20 – 1/4/20)						
Years 3/4 Football –	Years 4/5/6 Tag	Years 3 & 4 Lunchtime	Years 4/5 Football					
Lunchtime	Rugby Club –	Netball Club	<ul><li>Lunchtime</li></ul>					
(13/1/20 – 30/3/20)	Lunchtime (14/1/20 – 24/3/20)	(8/1/20 – 12/2/20)	(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	(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)						

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