

St Paul's Newsletter – Summer 06.06.25

'One body, every person, growing together.'



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Headteacher's Message

Dear St Paul's Families,

It was lovely to welcome the children back on Tuesday. Although it has been a short week, it has still been a busy one! Among other activities, we had class photographs and Governor Day and rounded the week off with a celebratory Sports Assembly.



Well done to all of the children who either participated as part of one of our teams or competed individually. We are very proud of you all, and of your achievements, particularly as you are such excellent ambassadors for St Paul's. There isn't a single event, competition or match at which the children are not commended for their positive sporting behaviour.

Our hard working teachers are very busy writing annual reports for each of our pupils (a huge undertaking) and the Year 6 auditions are now complete, parts have been allocated and rehearsals are well underway. The children already know some of the songs, and even though it's only been a few days, the singing sounds beautiful.

Yesterday, governors had the opportunity to see learning in action, visiting classrooms and working alongside the children during lessons. They also spent time on the playground, in the dining hall, and with staff. Experiences such as this, are an excellent way for them to deepen their understanding of the school and observe policy in practice. We are very grateful for their support and for taking the time away from their own busy schedules to work in this way with us. The standout feature of every Governor Day is the children, and yesterday was no exception!



Miss Plumley has been overwhelmed by the number of Year 3 and Year 4 pupils interested in applying to be Worship Leaders. Completed application forms should be returned by Monday and the twelve successful candidates will begin their training next Friday with Marion Standing, our Diocesan Adviser.

A quick note to Year 6 parents: the photo of the whole year group is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure your child brings their sweatshirt or cardigan that day so everyone is in full uniform for the very last official photo at St Paul's.

Also, Y6 parents, please check the item in the newsletter for an important message about hoodies.

Our House Captains have been busy planning the next Break the Rules Day and have set themselves an ambitious target of raising £1000 - see below for more details.



To all of our families who celebrating today, Eid Saeed, may the beauty of Eid bring warmth to your home and light to your path.

To everyone attending Wokingham Party in the Park this weekend, I hope the rain stays away and you have a great time!

See you Monday - Mrs Taylor

Break the Rules

Brought to you by the St Paul's House Captains.....



Break The Rules Day

Rules to be broken are:

- School uniform only;
- Nail varnish/lipstick and make-up are forbidden;
- Coloured or crazy hair is not permitted;
- No odd socks or shoes;
- Cuddly toys must remain at home;
- No squash or juice for drinks;
- No temporary tattoos;
- Jewellery may not be worn;
- Only fruit and vegetables for playtime snack;
- Eat dessert last at lunchtime.

Friday 13th June
50p for every rule you dare to break.
£5 to break them all!!!!

If every pupil breaks 6 rules each (£3), we will reach our target of £1000!

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies - deadline to order - 9th June 2025

One of our Year 6 parents is organising leavers hoodies for Year 6 pupils. Please use this link [Leaver's Hoodies 25.pdf](#) to a letter detailing how to place an order. The letter contains all the information you need, including the shop link. Please read it carefully.

If your child's name is not on the image proof contained in the letter, use the contact information provided and get in touch ASAP so their name can be added.

Please note this is not a school or PTA initiative. Any queries must be made to Anika, whose contact details are in the letter.

Message from Our PTA

Raffle tickets were distributed to children today in readiness for our Summer Fair on 4th July. Further details about the fair will follow next week!

Thank you Mithat!



If you have telephoned us recently you may have noticed that we have a new answerphone message. Thank you to Mithat (6D) for being the voice of St Paul's School – you have done a brilliant job!

Going to Secondary School – Book Offer

We have a limited supply of the book, "Going to Secondary School - 101 tips for parents" which is a fantastic resource. If you would like a copy you may purchase it for £2 via SCOPAY - under the products tab on the app. Purchases will be distributed to pupils in the classroom.



Our New Recycling Bank



We have a new textile recycling bank installed next to our bike shed. If you are having a clear out, please donate any old clothes, branded school uniform (if it is not good enough quality to donate to the PTA) shoes, soft toys and bed linen. You will be able to donate your textiles at drop off or pick up times on any day convenient to you. This replaces our previous 'Bags2School' collections. The bank will be emptied every two weeks and will help raise **MUCH NEEDED** money for our school!



Summer Camp At Our School



Looking for a summer where your child thrives while you breathe easy? Holiday HQ is your ticket to fun-filled days for them, and peace of mind for you — guilt-free working days, new friendships, and screen-free energy all summer long.

JAG have created a summer holiday club for children aged **4–11** that keeps them active, inspired, and smiling. One day they're blazing trails on a nature scavenger hunt, the next they're dodging water balloons in a colourful splash battle — no two days are the same, and every child leaves with stories to tell and skills to show.

Weekly Special Events

Every week features a show-stopping highlight — from inflatables and Nerf battles to live animal encounters and our JAG Colour Run! These spectacular experiences bring the week's theme to life.

Week 1: Heroes Week

Super Spy Obstacle Run, Hero Training Academy, spy missions, and superhero crafts — a week of epic code-cracking and caped crusading.

Week 2: Water Week

Slip n' Slide races, splashy obstacle courses, and underwater-themed creations — bring a towel and prepare to get soaked!

Week 3: Outdoor Explorers

Nature trails, survival skills, and trailblazing art — plus a special visit from ZooLab to meet some wild new friends.

Week 4: Sports Week

Mini-Olympics, agility circuits, and our NERF Pentathlon — perfect for energetic kids and friendly competition.

Week 5: Fun of the Fair

Talent shows, fairground stalls, and inflatables galore — a celebration of imagination and carnival cheer.

Week 6: Crazy Science & Invention

Balloon cars, erupting volcanoes, and mind-bending experiments — hands-on discovery all week long.

 **Early Bird Offer Now Live:** Book now and enjoy **10% off** with code **SUMMERBREAK** at checkout. Available until **6th July**.

Huge Congratulations To Eleanor



We have exciting news about Eleanor's recent success in gymnastics. Last weekend, she competed in the English Tumbling Championships, a major national event showcasing the top gymnasts from across the country.

Eleanor competed in the 9-10 age category (the youngest group eligible) and came home with a silver medal! To qualify for this event, she had to place highly at a series of regional competitions, where she came 1st in every single one. Her consistent performance led to her selection to represent the Southern Region, competing against the top 19 girls from all over England!

Her resilience, focus and determination have been outstanding and we are incredibly proud of how she performed under such pressure. She truly rose to the occasion and gave it her all.

Purchasing Uniform For The New Academic Year

To guarantee delivery to school by the end of term (so you have the items in readiness for the new term) we suggest that orders should be made by the end of June. Alternatively, delivery can be made to your home address at an additional postage cost.

If you are looking ahead to the new academic year, please be reminded we no longer sell school uniform directly. However, we do have some stock remaining.

Stock in school:

- Age 5-6 Sweatshirts - £10.70
- Age 5-6 Cardigans - £11.75
- Swimming Hats - £2.50
- PE Bags - £4.50

These can be ordered via scopay.



We do not have any other sized uniform for sale. All other items may be ordered through Gooddies using this link:

[BUY SCHOOL UNIFORM HERE!](#)

Swimming and Games

Swimming			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
5B 3D 3H	5K 3B 4P	5M 4R 6S	6T 6D 4L

On their swimming days, 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.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to contribute £12.50 towards the running of the pool, we would be very grateful if you could make a payment via Scopay.

Swimming hats can be purchased from school for £2.50 – payable on Scopay

Please remember that earrings are not permitted during any sport sessions and must be removed AT HOME before attending school that day.

Outdoor Games

All classes have Games each Thursday. Pupils should come to school dressed in PE kit (navy or black shorts or tracksuit, plain white t-shirt). No football shirts or brightly coloured sports kit!

Games lessons take place every week in all but the most extreme weather and, therefore, we ask that pupils bring their school uniform, in case they have to change into dry clothes.

Sports News



We had our sports assembly this morning celebrating the fantastic achievements of our pupils last half term.

Congratulations to the girls' football team who came runners up in their Spring Cup final. It was an incredible match with both teams battling all the way to the final seconds of the match. The game was all tied at 4-4 but then we were very

unlucky to concede a goal in the last few seconds so Robert Piggott Junior School ended as champions and we were runners up. It was a brilliant game and a fitting finale to a wonderful season.



Well done to our athletes who took part in the School Games QuadKids competition. The athletes all have to be really good all-rounders and it is a true test of stamina, endurance, speed and agility. Each competitor has to complete a sprint and a 600m run as well as a long jump and howler throw. Our athletes performed so well and we are very proud of each and every one of you!



We had the first matches in our cricket league which ended in a win and a loss. The weather played its part and our match this week was cancelled but we are looking forward to the next one next week. There was lots of excellent batting, bowling and fielding.

Forest School



What a mix of weather we have had this week! A downpour on Tuesday afternoon saw all the children rush to get the waterproof trousers on, on Wednesday no coats were needed at all and Thursday saw us back in the waterproofs and children adding extra layers to ensure they kept warm.

The children have been learning about the fire triangle this week – the three elements needed to create a fire: oxygen, fuel and a spark. In pairs they practiced using the flint and steels, this is much harder than it looks but with the resilience shown by the children of St Paul's it was not a problem. They then moved onto lighting cotton wool pads on our firepit. The children followed our school values of being determined, as well as encouraging and collaborating to achieve their goal.



Everyone was interested to see how our crops in the allotment had grown over the half term break. Our peas are coming along well, with peapods starting to swell, the leaves on the pumpkins are huge and we have had first pickings from our strawberry plants – much to everyone's delight!



The nettles and brambles have grown over the half term break, so please send your child in with **long trousers and long sleeves** for their Forest School session. Even on a warm day, the woodland is considerably cooler with the tree canopy cover, so they won't overheat.

09/06	16/06	23/06	30/06	14/07	15/07	16/07	21/07	22/07
3H	5K	5B	4L	6D	6T	6S	4R	3D

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

Some of our families are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding for their children; this helps us to provide curriculum enrichment and support for our Pupil Premium children. Your child may be entitled to this funding which can be used to pay for clubs, uniform, additional support, one to one nurture, Canine Assisted learning etc.

If you are in receipt of one of the following benefits you may be eligible for free school meals or the pupil premium:

- 1) Income Support.
- 2) Income based Job Seeker's Allowance.
- 3) Income related Employment and Support Allowance.
- 4) Child Tax Credit - Where the family's annual income is not more than £16,190 and Working Tax Credit is not in payment.
- 5) Guarantee Pension Credit.
- 6) Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- 7) Universal Credit.

Please contact Mrs Collins in the office to find out more or follow this link <https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-information-and-services/free-school-meals-and-extra-funding-your-childs-education>

NEXT WEEK IN SCHOOL

Monday 9 th June	3B Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Tuesday 10 th June	3H Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Wednesday 11 th June	3D Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Friday 13 th June	Break the Rules Day Fundraiser
Friday 13 th June 9.00am	3H Class Assembly

Diary Dates

Thursday 19 th June – morning	Sports Day
Friday 20 th June 9.00am	6T Class Assembly
Wednesday 25 th June 9.00am – 10.30am	New Parents' Morning
Wednesday 25 th June	Year 5 Visit to Reading Gurdwara
Friday 27 th June 9.00am	4L Class Assembly
Friday 4 th July 3.30 – 6.00pm	Summer Fair
Tuesday 8 th July 6.00pm – 7.15pm	Year 6 Leavers Production
Wednesday 9 th July 1.45pm – 3.00pm	Year 6 Leavers Production
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 23 rd July 9.30-10.30am	Leavers' Service at St Paul's Church – Year 6 Parents Welcome to Attend
Wednesday 23 rd July	End of Term – 2.00PM finish
Thursday 4 th September	Start of New Academic Year
Monday 8 th December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church
Tuesday 9 th December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church
Wednesday 10 th December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church

Junior Adventures Group

HOLIDAY HQ SUMMER CAMP




Swing into the school holidays.
Book now for the Summer!

RUNNING AT 90+ VENUES
WEEKLY THEMES
DAILY SPORTS, CRAFTS, TEAM
CHALLENGES, SPECIAL EVENTS
AND MUCH MORE!



We have a textile recycling bank!








Help the school raise money by donating all your old clothes, branded school uniform, shoes, soft toys and bed linen. The bank will be emptied every two weeks so you can recycle at a time to suit you!

Put the clothes in the bank and Astra Recycling will put money in the school's bank!

The bin is hungry, here's what it likes and doesn't like!

YES!	NO!
Clothes	Pillows
Branded uniform	Quilts
Pairs of shoes	Lined Curtains
Sheets	Board Games
Duvet Covers	General Waste/ Rubbish
Pillow Cases	Toys/Plastics
Accessories	Electronics
Soft Toys	

Wokingham Bikeathon

Sunday 22nd June
Event Hub: Cantley Park
Twyford Road, Wokingham, RG40 5TU

 Refreshments on route

 Family friendly

 Sustainable medals

Register now!
Adults £20 • Children £5 (ages 12-17)
or FREE with a paying adult!
Under 12s - FREE!

Not-for-profit event, raising funds for local charities



www.wokinghambikeathon.co.uk

COMPETITION

Design a collage (pictures or photos) of things you like to see on your active journey to school

Create your design in A4 poster size

Write a short sentence why you like what you see

First prize £50 book token (prizes for runners-up too)

The competition runs from 2 June to 7 July
Send your entries to:
myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk

For more information visit:
myjourneywokingham.com




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