

# St Paul's Newsletter – Summer 23.05.25

*'One body, every person, growing together.'*



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## Headteacher's Message

Dear St Paul's Families,

Another wonderful week at St Paul's! As we head into half term, we have lots of very tired children and staff who have been working their socks off this week!

Year 6 have been an absolute credit to the school this week as they took part in their Bikeability training. Working in small groups throughout the week, the children demonstrated excellent behaviour and a positive attitude. The Bikeability team were full of praise, commenting on how delightful the children were to work with - and we're proud to say they all passed with flying colours! This training is a fantastic step in preparing them for the independence of secondary school, especially for those who will be cycling to their new schools.

We also enjoyed a brilliant assembly from 6S, who took us on a heartwarming journey through memories of their time at St Paul's. It was a joy to see photos from their very first day in Year 3 - how much they've grown! They've developed into mature, thoughtful young people, almost ready to take that exciting step into Year 7. Well done, 6S!

Auditions for the Year 6 Leavers' Production of 'The Wizard of Oz' are now complete and rumour has it that there may be a special appearance from our furry friend. Parts have been allocated and rehearsals will begin shortly. We're all very excited! Further details about tickets and the "Best Seats in the House" raffle will be sent out after the break.



Finally, I'd like to wish all children, staff, and families a very happy and restful half term. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 3rd June. Please remember that class photos will also be taking that day, so ensure your child comes to school wearing their sweatshirt or cardigan.

Mrs Taylor

## Parent Survey – Please Complete



### Aiming to create more inclusive & supportive mainstream schools

Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) Project

### Parent Survey - we'd love to hear your views

Feedback from **all** parents & carers is really important and will help shape the support for your school.

Please complete the survey by scanning the QR code:



or by this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N2T6CSB>

You can find out more about the PINS project on our website here:  
[www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk/pins](http://www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk/pins)

Private: Information that contains a small amount of sensitive data which is essential to communicate with an individual but doesn't require to be sent via secure methods.

To help ensure we get the best support, please take a few minutes to complete this short survey

This survey is for **all parents**, not just those with children with SEND.

We are delighted to let you know that we are part of the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) programme.

PINS is a national project aiming to create more inclusive and supportive mainstream schools. Here in Wokingham, 30 primary schools are taking part in this exciting initiative.

You can find more information about the PINS project - including which schools are involved, answers to frequently asked questions, and the slides from a recent Parents & Carers Information Session on our website here:

👉 [www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk/pins](http://www.sendvoiceswokingham.org.uk/pins)

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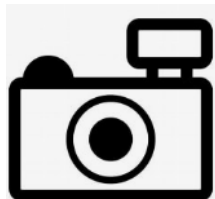
## Our New Recycling Bank



You may have noticed at school drop off this morning that we have a new textile recycling bank installed next to our bike shed. If you are having a clear out over half term, please donate any old clothes, branded school uniform (if it is not good enough quality to donate to the PTA) shoes, soft toys, 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 'Bad2School' collections. The bank will be emptied every two weeks and will help raise money for our school!



## Class Photos Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June



Class photos are being taken on the morning of 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Please ensure your child brings their St Paul's cardigan or jumper with them on the day. The photographer has a tight timetable, so please arrive at school promptly to be sure that your child does not miss their slot! As it is their last term with us, Year 6 will also be having a year group photograph taken.

## Purchasing Uniform For The New Academic Year

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:

<https://www.gooddies.co.uk/product-category/schools/st-pauls-c-of-e-junior-school-schools/>



The cut off dates for delivery are the 15<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>/last day of each month. Delivery to school is usually 10 working days following the cut off dates, however, they suggest allowing 20 working days during the busy months of June-September. Alternatively, delivery can be made to your home address at an additional postage cost.

**We suggest that if you wish to guarantee delivery to school by the end of term, orders should be made by 15<sup>th</sup> June, or 30<sup>th</sup> June to be confident of collection on the INSET Day/Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.**

## Berkshire Music Trust

### **Boys' Singing Day**

**Saturday 22nd June 10am-5pm**

Reading Music Centre, Stoneham Court, Tilehurst

Only £10!

This one off event is a day of singing with like minded boys from across the county. Come for a day of learning about your voice, how to sing at that next level and gain knowledge from some of the best male singers in the county. There will groups for Unchanged voices, Changing voices as well as for those with voices that have already settled. Including a Masterclass on Classical and Contemporary singing, this full day of singing promises fun, support and camaraderie for boys between 8 and 18 years old. The focus is supporting boys to continue singing through their voices change.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Book here:

<https://bookwhen.com/berksmusictrust/e/ev-srha-20250622100000>

### **Wicked West End Singing Workshop**

**Wednesday 28th May 11am-12:30pm**

Reading Music Centre, Stoneham Court, Tilehurst

Only £10!

Join West End performer and Vocal Coach Jamie Read for a singing workshop inspired by the smash-hit musical WICKED! Jamie will help you hit those high notes and belt out your favourite songs with confidence.

Suitable for students in Year 6 – Year 10.

Book here: <https://bookwhen.com/berksmusictrust/e/ev-skqg-20250528110000>

## Dinton Pastures – A Forest of The Imagination



Forest of Imagination Wokingham Borough is coming to Dinton Pastures this weekend (24/25 May), the perfect start to your half-term holiday.

The **free event** will see the park transformed with art installations and a programme of free events and workshops across the weekend.

These new sensory installations have been co-created by professional artists and schools, incorporating ideas from local community groups.

Hundreds of residents and students have taken part in the

build up to this showcase weekend.

Remember booking not required for general admission – just come and explore! It's running all day on Saturday (24 May) and Sunday (25 May), so come to see for yourself or have a look at the [event map to find out more](#).



## 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 Scipay.**



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.**

## **Forest School**



We welcomed 4P into the woodland on Monday afternoon. The children shared their surprise and amazement at the age of some of our trees, the size and features that they observed on the newts in the pond and how much greener the woodland was since their last visit.

During our afternoon sessions, the children have been using their collaboration skills to make swings. Lots of determination and resilience was needed to complete this task and Mrs McBain and Mrs Gray were really proud of the work of all the children. We also tried some Nordic braiding for the first time. This crafting activity requires communication, collaboration, determination and plenty of resilience! We had mixed results (it's really hard to not get in a tangle) but it's definitely something that the children are keen to have a go at again and we can't wait to see the results.



Tomatoes have been added to our allotment area this week, our potatoes have been covered over again to protect them from frost damage and create more space for the potatoes to grow, we are starting to see some red strawberries and all our other crops are growing well. With some much-needed rain forecast for the weekend, we look forward to seeing how the allotments develop over the half term break.



Please remember to send your child to Forest School in **long trousers** as the nettles are out! Pupils will need to bring suitable clothing with them on that day e.g. track suit bottoms, hoodie, T shirt and trainers. Shorts and skirts are unsuitable for the woodland area.



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 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	First Day Back After Half Term
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Class Photos

## Diary Dates

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	3B Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	3H Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	3D Visit to Emm Brook Meadows
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 9.00am	3H Class Assembly
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June – morning</b>	<b>Sports Day</b>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 9.00am	6T Class Assembly
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 9.00am – 10.30am	New Parents' Morning
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Visit to Reading Gurdwara
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 9.00am	4L Class Assembly
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 3.30 – 6.00pm	Summer Fair
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 6.00pm – 7.15pm	Year 6 Leavers Production
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 1.45pm – 3.00pm	Year 6 Leavers Production
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 9.30-10.30am	Leavers' Service at St Paul's Church – Year 6 Parents Welcome to Attend
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	End of Term – 2.00PM finish
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Start of New Academic Year
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Christmas Celebration at St Paul's Church





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## Just Play Sports Holiday Clubs

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

### Discover a new sport or game

Kids'll experience a winning combo of awesome games, competitions and matches across:

- Football • Multi-skills • Nerf • Slip'n'slide
- Cricket • Tennis • Rounders • Dodgeball • Arts and crafts

### Savings to suit every pocket

**Save:**  
10% when you book the whole week  
10% for siblings

### Where you'll find the fun

St Paul's Junior School, Wokingham  
Colleton Primary School, Twyford  
Cranford Park, Yateley  
Oaklands Junior School, Crowthorne  
(see website for other local venues too!)



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### Flexibility to suit you

Standard day: 10.00am - 3.30pm  
Extended day: 8.30am - 5.30pm  
4-year-olds: 10.00am - 2.00pm


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## 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	

