# St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear All,

Thank you to 4L for a great class assembly this morning. It was a lovely way to start a wet and miserable Friday morning.

Last Friday, the Town Mayor, Lynn Forbes, and her attendant David Dunham, visited St Paul's. After a pupil-led tour to see our school at work, she met with the School Councillors to talk about her role and work as Mayor. The children were fascinated by the many different elements of the work of the Town Council, and how hard they work to ensure our town is a great place to grow up in. There was an opportunity for the children to ask questions and they were surprised that even on Christmas Day a Mayor



has to work (and possibly be expected to eat three Christmas dinners!).

Well done to Travis, Samantha, Leila and Zoe who were fabulous ambassadors for St Paul's. They impressed the Mayor throughout with their knowledge of our school and by how proud they were to be pupils of St Paul's.



The Mayor was equally impressed by our Council reps who made her feel very welcome asked lots of thoughtful and interesting questions. For more photos of her visit, see below.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Taylor Headteacher



## **Upcoming Events**

**November 29** – Non-uniform Day in return for Tombola prizes

**December 6** – PTA Christmas Fair, 5.30-7.30pm

**December 10** – Christmas Celebration, St Paul's Church 2.00pm and 5.30pm

**December 11** – Christmas Celebration, St Pauls Church 5.30-pm

**December 13** – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

**December 19** – PTA Christmas Discos – Year 3/4 6.15pm and Year 5/6 7.45pm

**December 20** – END OF TERM, 2.00PM FINISH

## Safeguarding

The definition of bullying is "repeated negative behaviour that is intended to make others feel upset, uncomfortable or unsafe." Cyberbullying is bullying which takes place online. It involves anything from sending messages to posting offensive comments to uploading and sharing private or embarrassing photos. It is classed as an indirect form of bullying, given it usually takes place through a digital device. However, for those on the receiving end of bullying behaviour, the consequences can be just as serious and have far reaching effects. National Online Safety have just bought out a new guide for parents on cyberbullying which is available on the welcome page of our website here

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On Monday we were pleased to welcome Yolanda Romero-Cummins from the Involve Community for a special anti-bullying assembly. Involve are a local charity working with Bracknell and Wokingham Borough Councils. She reinforced the message from the House Captains' assembly last week about the importance of telling an adult if they are worried about anything, including being pressured into something by friends. Support and advice is available nationwide from the following organisations:-

Family Lives 0808 800 222 Https://www.bullying.co.uk

Kidscape: 0207 730 3300 Helpline 0845 205 204 <u>www.kidscape.org.uk</u>

NSPCC/Childline: 0800 1111 <u>www.childline.org.uk</u> Anti-Bullying Alliance: <u>www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk</u>

Childnet: www.childnet-int-org and www.thinkuknow.co.uk (for information on cyber bullying)

# PTA Christmas Fair – Friday 6th December, 5.30-7.30pm

Friday 29th November is a non-uniform day in return for donations of tombola prizes.

- Y3 Gift tombola (wrapped gift suitable for a child aged 7–11 years)
- Y4: Gift tombola (wrapped gift suitable for a child aged 7–11 years)
- Y5: Sweet tombola (sweets in large packets or boxes; no nuts)
- Y6: Bottle tombola (drinks, speciality foods, toiletries; unopened and in date)

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In the past, a plastic cup has been sent home with each child to fill with wrapped sweets for the sweet tombola. This year we are trialling a greener approach and are asking for a donation of wrapped sweets that we will put into paper bags as tombola prizes.

Please send in donations of any books, board games, jigsaw puzzles and soft toys between 2–6 December. Items should be clean, complete and in good condition please. Unfortunately, we cannot accept other toys or games.

Raffle tickets will be sent home shortly. If you require any extra books of tickets please pop into the school office. Stubs and ticket money should be returned to school by Friday 6 December.

We are still looking for volunteers to help and if you can lend a hand please sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d4bacaa2ca2f49-stpauls11

#### **Contact Details**



Please remember to update the office if your contact details change. It is essential that the office can reach parents in case of an emergency. On several occasions over the past few weeks we have been unable to contact parents when necessary.

Either call the office on 0118 978 5219 or email office@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk

# **Digital Leaders**

Congratulations to all of our digital leaders. Being a Digital Leader involves showing staff and visitiors, who are unfamiliar with the technology in the classroom, how to:

- Log into SIMS and the school lunch register (with a supply username and password).
- Use the visualiser.
- Use the interactive whiteboard.
- Control the volume and sound systems for each class.
- Use the class laptop.

Being responsible for ensuring the class laptop, camera and tablets are charged and stored correctly. Being an expert during computing lessons – modelling and offering advice to others. Promoting E-safety in your class and across our school family. Teaching aspects of E-safety to your class.

3B	Emily <u>Threlfall</u>	4A	Lola Harris	5	Grace Rayner	6B	Harriet Leonard
	Adi Sharma		Jack Hammond	Κ	Trinity Romanczuk		Ryan Matheson
3D	Charlotte Sheppard	4L	Annabella <u>Castagna</u>	5	Robin Hessey	6G	Amber McIntosh
	Aymen Ben Amor		Owen Birch	Р	Eve Wells		Maya Lawrence
3F	Archie Hughes	4M	Kartheek Kota	5	Judy <u>Zaki</u>	6W	Daisy Oaston Carter
	Dylan Davidson		Kelisha Ama	S	Callum Matthews		James <u>Threlfall</u>

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## **Dressing the Christmas Tree**

Christmas tree decoration entries must be in by Thursday 28th November.



#### **PE Kit**

With winter well and truly here, please can you ensure that your child has a suitable warm tracksuit (plain navy/black) for their outside games sessions. They will go outside in all weathers. Shorts and t-shirt are still needed for their indoor PE session. If you are unsure when your child has PE/games, please refer to the table below.

## **PTA Christmas Fair Programme Cover Competition**

The PTA are holding a competition to find an amazing new programme cover. Entries can be on an A4 or A5 piece of paper or card and can be done in any medium. Entries should be handed in to the office by 27th November.

## Christmas Lunch - Friday 13th December

Christmas lunch orders must be submitted by 3.30pm on Wednesday 27th November. The menu and ordering form was previously circulated by via ParentMail and is available on the website <u>here</u>.

#### **Christmas Celebration 2019**

Rehearsals are now underway.

There are three performances at St Paul's Church. The performance lasts around an hour and we ask parents to support this event by enabling each child to attend on both evenings. There is nothing more disheartening for the children than to take to the stage with half of the cast missing because their parents came on a different evening!

- Tuesday 10th December at 2pm (children will return to school following the performance)
- Tuesday 10th December at 5.30pm (collection of children is from church)
- Wednesday 11th December at 5.30pm (collection of children is from church)

Due to the layout of church, we issue 220 tickets per performance – please note some are for standing room only.

Every family is allocated a maximum of 2 tickets and these are issued on a first come, first served basis. Booking is online in the Forms section of ParentMail and will open at 7.00pm this evening. Where evening performances are oversubscribed, afternoon tickets will be allocated instead. For siblings, please select the performance you would like to attend under your eldest child's name, entering 'No ticket required' against the younger sibling.

As soon as the tickets have been processed, they will be sent home with your child. Online booking will close at 3.30pm on Monday 25th November.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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#### **Run the World**

Well done to the children for running 4,081 laps of the playground last week. That is the equivalent of 1,020 miles.

6W completed more laps than anyone else last week, with 935 laps in the five days. Year 6 also completed 2,659 laps last week – well done to everyone for taking part.





Mrs. V Judd, PE & Games Assistant

## **Community Events**



The Wokingham Winter Carnival 2019 takes place on Sunday 24th November. For further information, please go to <a href="www.wintercarnival.co.uk">www.wintercarnival.co.uk</a> or follow them on Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/WokyWinterFayre/">https://www.facebook.com/WokyWinterFayre/</a>

Berkshire Teaching School Alliance – Train to Teach Evening – Tuesday 26th November – see below for further details.

# **Christmas Holiday Clubs**

Energy Kidz – 10% early bird offer ends 1st December, <a href="https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/holiday-club/">https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/holiday-club/</a> See below for further details.

Wokingham Active Kids - www.wokingham.gov.uk/activekids. See below for further details.

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Class Assembly Dates (9.15am – 9.40am)		Autumn Term 2019	PE & Games	Games
Thursday 28th November	6W	Monday	5S 5P 6G 6B	
Friday 29th November	5S	Tuesday	4L 4A 4M	
		Wednesday	3F 5K 6W	
		Thursday		All Classes
		Friday	3D 3B	

Class Forest School Dates					
Wednesday 27th November	6B				
Wednesday 4th December	3F				
Wednesday 11th December	6W				

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Diary Dates					
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	<ul> <li>Non-uniform Day in return for donation of wrapped sweets and a tombola prize:</li> <li>Y3 Gift tombola (wrapped gift suitable for a child aged 7–11 years)</li> <li>Y4: Gift tombola (wrapped gift suitable for a child aged 7–11 years)</li> <li>Y5: Sweet tombola (sweets in large packets or boxes; no nuts)</li> <li>Y6: Bottle tombola (drinks, speciality foods, toiletries; unopened and in date)</li> </ul>				
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fair: 5.30-7.30pm				
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance, St Paul's Church: 2.00-3.00pm and 5.30-6.30pm				
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance, St Paul's Church: 5.30-6.30pm				
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day				
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Discos: Year 3/4 6.15pm Year 5/6 7.45pm				
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	END OF TERM: 2.00PM				
Term Dates can be found on the website <u>here</u>					

Clubs – Autumn Term 2019							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
Running Club – 07.45am (16 September – 2 December)	Badminton – cancelled until further notice	Yoga Club – 07.45am (18 September – 27 November)	Gymnastics Club – 07.45am (19 September – 28 November)	Year 3 Gymnastics Club – 07.45am (20 September – 29 November)			
Badminton - cancelled until further notice	Lego Club – Lunchtime (17 September – 26 November)	All Years Girls Football – lunchtime (11 September – 4 December)	Years 4/5 Football – Lunchtime (12 September – 5 December)	All Years Football - 3.30pm (13 September – 6 December)			
Years 3/4 Football – Lunchtime (9 September – 2 December)	Year 5 Imagineering Club – 3.30pm (17 September – 26 November)	Year 6 Football – lunchtime (11 September – 4 December)	Nutritional Ninjas – 3.30pm (19 September – 28 November)				
		Years 3/4 Lunchtime Netball Club (6 November – 4 December)					
Years 4/5/6 Tag Rugby Club – 3.30pm (16 September – 2 December)	French Club – 3.30pm (17 September – 26 November)	Multisports – 3.30pm (11 September – 4 December)					
		Years 5/6 Netball Club – 3.30pm (18 September – 27 November)					
		Chess Club – 3.30pm (18 September – 27 November)					

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