

St Paul's Newsletter – Autumn 12.01.24

'One body, every person, growing together.'



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Headteacher's Message

Dear St Paul's Families,

We have had another brilliant few days with the children working their socks off to get back into the swing of a new term and lots of new learning. We are very proud of their efforts.

Thank you to those parents who have responded so positively to our drive to eradicate children frequently arriving late for school. Pupils arriving on time ensures a calm, orderly start to the day and that they do not miss out on any learning. We do understand that traffic is an issue in and around school but this is a historical problem so please allow extra time to travel to school if doing so by car. Eradicating poor attendance and punctuality is crucial for any school and if this is a persistent problem affecting your child, this is something that will be reviewed by the Education Welfare Service as part of their monitoring of our registers.

Our School Council have asked me to draw your attention to their next fundraiser which will take place on Friday 26th January. On hearing about the felling of the 300 year old oak tree in the churchyard because it was unsafe - and the staggering costs for this work - the councillors wanted to make a positive contribution to the community by raising funds towards the project by holding a non-uniform and bad hair day. Their plan is a £1 donation to wear non uniform and a £1 donation for 'bad hair'. They have calculated that if everyone joins in the fun, including staff, their target of £1000 should be within reach. There will be collection buckets at the gate on Friday 26th and all donations will be very gratefully received.

We are still recruiting for the role of Site Assistant and if you know of anyone who may be interested in this part time, term time only role, more details can be found on the vacancy section on our website.

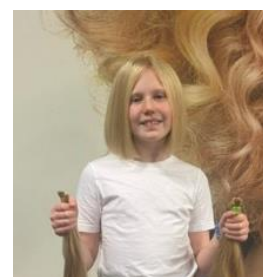
Have a good weekend, everyone!

Mrs Taylor

Well done!



Evie has taken the plunge and had her beautiful hair cut short, donating it to the Little Princess Trust. What a generous and kind way to support others. Well done, Evie - we are very proud of you and love your new hairstyle!



Curriculum News

Since the start of the Autumn Term, the children have been working hard to develop their mastery of art techniques, including drawing and painting, as well as experimenting with a range of media, including pencil, charcoal and paint. They have studied line, shape, colour, tone and form and how an artist combines these elements. The fruits of their labour have been stunning and we have seen work of a high standard across the school. It was virtually impossible to choose from such a wide selection of excellent work but here are just a few examples from Years 3 to 6.



The same is true about the quality of the children's work in other subjects too - more about that next week!

Wokingham Borough Council – Local Transport Consultation

Wokingham Borough Council are currently consulting on their updated Local Transport Plan (LTP4) before adopting a finalised version. LTP4 is a strategic document that sets out how they aim to improve the walking, cycling and public transport facilities in the coming years.

They would like to get feedback from residents on the proposed document. <https://engage.wokingham.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/a-new-local-transport-plan-for-wokingham-borough>

The consultation is running until 23rd February 2024.

Handwriting Pens

Every child is issued with a Handwriting Pen, which is replaced when the ink runs out. If your child has lost or broken their pen, a replacement can be purchased for 50p via SCOPAY. We are a cashless school and only able to process online payments and so would be grateful if you could avoid sending money into school and encourage your child to clearly label their pen to avoid it being misplaced.

JAG February Half Term Holiday Club

Join JAG this February Half Term!

Action-Packed Holiday Club delivered by JAG throughout the February Half Term!

This February Half Term join JAG's World Explorers Holiday Club programme! From cultural crafts to themed explorations, and interactive global challenges, there's something exciting for every young explorer! JAG is committed to providing a lively and enriching environment that resonates with the inquisitive spirit of your young World Explorers. It's not just a theme; it's a reflection of their dedication to making learning an exciting and memorable adventure for every child.

- ✓ Ages 4-11 years
- ✓ 70+ locations
- ✓ Stay active and boost wellbeing
- ✓ Unleash creativity
- ✓ Make memories to last a lifetime
- ✓ Explore a variety of themed interests

Secure your child's spot in advance and enjoy significant savings!

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Book Now: <https://www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk/holiday-clubs/>

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Reading Football Club Tickets

You have been invited to Reading Football Club's 3rd Schools and Grassroots Fixtures of 2023-24!

When?

Reading vs Leyton Orient

Saturday 27th January 2024, 3pm

Where?

Select Car Leasing Stadium

How to qualify for the discount and confirm your attendance?

We would be delighted if you could join us for our 3rd schools and grassroots fixture of 2023-24. And as part of our special invitation, we would like to offer the below discounted prices:

12 and Under: £1

17 and Under: £3

18 to 24: £5

65 and over: £5

Adult: £10

To redeem, please visit <https://ticketing.readingfc.co.uk> and enter the following unique coupon code: **#StPaulsCE** in the basket once you have logged in and selected your tickets.

How many tickets can we purchase?

There is no limit on the number of tickets you can buy using your unique code. And, for every ticket which is purchased you will receive one entry in a prize draw for a chance to win a series of 'money can't buy experience' prizes!

Important! This offer applies to tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand blocks and Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand. Coupon codes are valid up until 4 hours before kick-off.

If you have any questions about either offer, please email sales@readingfc.co.uk or call 0118 968 1313.

Bag 2 School Collection - Friday 19th January

Thank you to our PTA for organising our Bag 2 School collection which is taking place next Friday 19th January. Your child should have brought a bag and a leaflet home with them from school today.

Please pack the bag with your used items described on the leaflet.

Next Week

Monday 15 th January	Liddington Information Evening for Y5 parents – 6.30pm
Tuesday 16 th January	Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Museum
Diary Dates	
Friday 19 th January	3H Class Assembly
Friday 19 th January	Bag to School Collection
Monday 22 nd January	Online Booking for Parents' Consultations opens 7pm
Friday 26 th January	6B Class Assembly
Friday 26 th January	Non-Uniform/Bad Hair Day – School Council Fundraiser
Friday 2 nd February	6T Class Assembly
Monday 5 th February	Online Booking for Parents' Consultations closes 7pm
Friday 9 th February	5S Class Assembly
Tuesday 20 th / Wednesday 21 st February	3.50pm-7.00pm Parents' Consultations

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All JAG holiday programs are built on our holistic child philosophy, fostering creativity, learning, inclusion, participation, well-being, and happiness, ensuring that children's time with us is always a highlight. These programs build confidence, nurture creativity, and keep young minds active during school breaks. Best of all, they're incredibly fun, leaving children with memories and experiences that shape their growth and development.

This February Half Term, children will embark on an extraordinary journey through themed activities that create an immersive environment, carefully designed to mirror the diverse wonders of our world.



Our Activity Categories



- ✓ Childcare Vouchers Accepted
- ✓ Weekly Booking Discounts
- ✓ Tax Free Childcare
- ✓ Flexible Payment Options

Creative Inventors

Exciting opportunities for children to express themselves creatively

- Painting & Crafts
- Book Trays
- Diaries

Brain Boosters

Captivating games & puzzles to entertain and perplex!

- Quizzes & Brain Teasers
- Puzzles & Building Projects
- Code Breaking

Super Sports

Action-packed multi-sports sessions

- Tennis
- Football
- Basketball

Zen Masters

Activities that promote physical, emotional and personal wellbeing and happiness

- Yoga
- Zen Gardens
- Healthy Pop! Chunks

Global Kids

A chance to practice life skills through a range of engaging learning experiences

- Cooking
- Rocket Building
- Bus Menus

Power Teams

Fun, challenging team activities and challenges

- Team Challenges
- Obstacle Courses
- Runner get Run!

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