St Paul's C of E Junior School



Dear Parents,

The children have been working hard this week and have produced some fabulous work across all areas of the curriculum. Our assemblies have focused on being determined and resilient and we have certainly seen lots of great examples of this in classrooms across the school when pupils have refused to give up, even when finding aspects of learning tricky. We are very proud of their efforts and of how hard they are working; the teachers and learning mentors continue to provide the best support possible to ensure every pupil is able to adapt to the new ways in which we have to work to keep everyone safe. Thank you for the huge amount of positive feedback shared at the gate – we love to hear about how happy and settled you feel the children are and about how much they are talking about their learning outside of school – we agree with you, the Teachers and Learning Mentors are doing a tremendous job and giving their all to ensure school is a happy place where it is fun to learn.

You will have already seen Mrs Walker's letter regarding Zones of Regulation that went out earlier today but prior to this, parents have reported that many children have been using the colours and terms outside of school to explain their emotions and feelings. Although early days, having a common approach and widely used vocabulary is proving very positive for all of our pupils, particularly those finding settling back into school a little more tricky to navigate than they might have anticipated. We will keep you updated on our use of the Zones approach in upcoming Newsletters.

The weather forecast for the next few days is not good but hopefully this will not put too much of a dampener on your weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Taylor Headteacher

New Governor

Congratulations to Stephen Howard who was co-opted onto our Governing Body earlier this week. We are very much looking forward to working with him in the coming months.

Walk to School Week – Week Commencing 5th October 2020 – Five Day Challenge

We would like to invite you and your children to celebrate the incredible physical and mental health benefits walking brings. Strong hearts, healthy bones, increased muscle strength are all well-documented outcomes of walking, scooting and cycling but the benefits for the mind are just as powerful. An increased sense of calm and self-esteem, time to connect with friends, family and that natural world, awakened creativity and improved overall cognitive function. All this makes for a happy, healthy child set up for success in and out of the classroom!

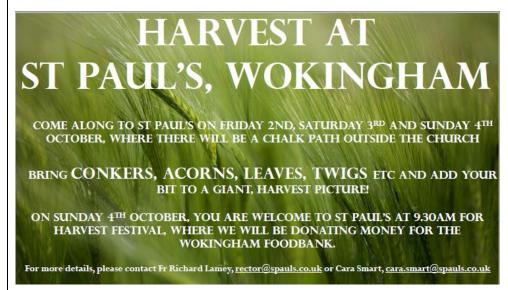
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Every pupil will be challenged to walk, cycle, scoot or park and stride to school every day for one week. We will be discussing the benefits in class and will complement this activity with individual activity diaries, as well as wall charts so the children can log their journeys. We hope you and your children will enjoy taking part!

Harvest Celebrations at St Paul's Church



To celebrate harvest this year, there will be a chalk path outside St Paul's Church. Come and join the hopscotch, alphabet prayers and floor stained glass chalk, with room to add your own chalk drawing if you'd like to. We will also be making a picture on the grass made out of conkers, acorns, twigs and leaves, so please bring lots of interesting natural things so you can add your bit to the picture too. There will be chalk and hand gel, please do use the hand gel before and after you touch anything and remember to keep a safe distance from anyone else on the path.

Individual School Photos – Monday 5th October



The children's individual portrait photographs will be taken on Monday 5th October. Children should be dressed in full school uniform with their school jumper/cardigan.

French Club Has Gone Online



For further details of the French Club which usually takes place in school but is now online, please see the flyer below.

Clean Air Banner Competition



We are very pleased to be launching a brand new competition this month in partnership with our public health team. This is our Clean Air Banner Competition. We are asking for children to design a new banner to encourage drivers to switch off their engines while their cars are

stationary. Banners will be displayed at Wokingham Station and Twyford Crossroads. The deadline is the 30th of October 2020. Please see the flyers below with details of the competition.

School Travel Adviser, Traffic & Transport Team, WBC

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Bag2School – Thursday 8th October



The PTA have organized a Bag2School collection on Thursday 8th October. Bags will be given to each child to bring home but you can use any bags. Please bring them to school on the morning of 8th October.

Please leave bags behind the plastic barriers on the left-hand side of the pavement, before entering the gates. Due to a lack of space and the one-way system in operation, please do not leave bags inside the gates.

Golden Certificate Winners

Congratulations to all the children on our Golden Certificate Roll of Honour this week - well done everyone! Certificates will be presented on Monday.

- Cassidy (3B) working extremely hard and demonstrating a growth mindset.
- Aalayah (3B) showing great resilience and determination in her work.
- Isaac (3B) working very hard on his concentration levels and showing a great improvement in his readiness to learn.
- Aarohan (3D) always being willing to share his ideas with the class. Thank you for all of your contributions.
- Oniesh (3D) making accurate use of Words of the Day in his writing. Well done!
- Fraser (3D) being such a positive, thoughtful and enthusiastic member of the class.
- Millie (3D) showing an excellent awareness of social distancing. Thank you for helping to keep us safe.
- Wilbur (3L) trying really hard with his handwriting to make his work as well presented as possible.
- Rohan (3L) putting his hand up in class to ask, as well as answer questions.
- Darcey (4C) working more independently in Maths.
- Leo (4L) his animated role play in a Brain Box session.
- Myra (4M) fabulous Science work and contributions to class discussions.
- Harrison (4M) working so hard and producing beautifully presented work.
- Harriet (4C) working more independently in Maths.
- Jacob (4M) his amazing Maths work!
- Elyssa (5K) having a great week; engaging in all aspects of her learning and explaining her reasoning when answering questions in class discussions.
- Aahan (5K) always trying his best in all subjects and learning from his mistakes to show great learning behavior.
- Thomas (5P) his fantastic effort and work in Maths this week.
- Darsh (5S) demonstrating a great attitude to learning and being a supportive talk partner.
- Milly (5S) presenting all her work beautifully.
- Alfie (5P) putting superb effort into his work this week and for his wonderful contributions to class discussions, especially about the Vikings.
- Juno (6N) showing such determination to succeed, most notably in her Maths work.
- Finn (6N) being such a good role model in the classroom.
- Jed (6N) always throwing himself into his work with such enthusiasm.
- Kieran (6N) always trying his best in everything he does.
- Jack (6G) his hard work in History and descriptive pyramid advert.

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Diary Dates 2020		
Monday 5 th October	Individual Pupil Photos The photographer will be visiting school on Monday 5th October to take individual photographs only. Sadly, we will not be able to offer family photographs this time.	
Friday 4 th December	Flu Immunisation for All Year Groups	
Term Dates for 2020-2021 can be found on the website <u>here</u>		



COVID-19 Related Pupil Absence - A quick reference guide for parents

What to do if	Action needed	Return to school when
 My child has 1 or more of COVID-19 symptoms: HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back and more than 37.6° in children; A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH – this means coughing a lot more than usual in an hour, or 3 or more coughing episode in 24 hours; A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything. 	 DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office to inform us by 8.30am 0118 978 5219 or absence@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days Book a test within the first 5 days of symptoms: https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call 111 Contact the school office immediately you receive the test result 	Either: • The test comes back negative Or • The test comes back positive and 10 days have passed since test
My child tests positive for COVID-19	 DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office immediately 0118 978 5219 Agree the earliest date for possible return – minimum of 10 days Self-isolate the rest of the household for 14 days 	After 10 days have passed from the test, even if they have a cough or no sense of smell or taste (but no fever) and they feel better (symptoms can last for several weeks).

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Someone in my household has COVID-19 symptoms	School will contact Public Health England who will advise us of next steps regarding bubble closures DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office 0118 978 5219 Self-isolate the household for 14 days Household member to get tested Contact the school office again immediately upon receiving the test result	Either: • The test comes back negative Or The test comes back positive and 14 days have passed
Someone in my household tests positive for COVID-19	 DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office immediately 0118 978 5219 Self-isolate the rest of the household for 14 days Agree the earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days 	After 14 days of self- isolation from date of positive result
NHS test and trace has identified been in close contact of someone with confirmed COVID-19	DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office immediately 0118 978 5219 Agree an earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days	After 14 days of self- isolation from contact with person with positive result
My child and I have travelled and have to self-isolate as a period of quarantine	DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL Contact the school office immediately 0118 978 5219 Agree an earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days from day after returning	The quarantine period of 14 days from day after returning has passed
Mu child's class/bubble is closed due to a COVID-19 outbreak	 DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL The school will be in touch with further information, including how to access work online. Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days, unless they develop symptoms, when you need to go to the relevant box above. 	School has informed you of when the class/bubble will be reopened.
My child tests negative	INFORM THE SCHOOL OFFICE OF THE NEGATIVE RESULT via the absence	When they feel better

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	 mailbox absence@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk Discuss when your child will be able to return (when better). 	
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID-19	Contact the school office to inform us on a daily basis 0118 9785219 or via absence@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk	When they feel better or after 48 hours since last bout of sickness/diarrhoea.