Newsletter: 05.10.18

St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to welcome so many of you to Monday's Open Morning. We had 40 visitors to see the school at work. We are tremendously proud of our pupils and staff, who never settle for less than their best. This was reflected in the feedback we received. Here are just a few of the things that parents said:

"Great insight into the school day, wonderful to see the children learning hard!"

"Lovely welcome! Great to see the buzz in the classrooms and the children enjoying learning!"

"Hard working children – lovely school."

"All children working hard, lovely to see them so engaged and enjoying their work."

"Loved the displays. Great to see how classrooms are organised and the different strategies used to teach maths."

Special thanks to our welcoming committee, Fatima Bhuiyan and Mrs Perry. They did a marvelous job.

Mrs Taylor

House Captains

Well done and thank you to all of the children that stood for House Captain this year. The children and staff were enthralled by the calibre of the candidates. We have no doubt that all pupils who stood would have been more than capable of taking on this important role. The pupils receiving the most votes were:

Walter Marnie Fieldsend and Ruben Verzuu

Selwyn Chloe Collier and Max Dowding

Lewis Shivani Kishor and Samuel Belshaw

Jameson Grace Byfield and William Warren



Upcoming Events

October 8

School Photos/Sibling Photos

October 10

African Dance Workshop

October 16

Flu immunisations for Years 3, 4 and 5

October 16-19

Year 6 Residential to PGL Liddington

Safeguarding

There is currently a worldwide shortage of EpiPens® (more properly known as adrenaline auto-injectors). To cope with this, certain batches of the auto-injectors may be used after the expiry date. Note that the date extensions only apply to EpiPen® 0.3mg auto-injectors.

Find the batch numbers that the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) have extended here on the website of Mylan, the distributor of EpiPens® in the UK: www.epipen.co.uk

If you require additional information or have any questions, you can contact Mylan Customer Services on 01707 853 100.

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Harvest Festival



On Friday, Father Richard will lead a special assembly in school to celebrate Harvest. This year, in preparation, we have been thinking about how lucky we are to have access to sufficient clean water to stay fit and live a healthy life. Sadly, in many parts of the world people are without access to this vital resource. Our chosen charity this year is Unicef who are working hard to ensure clean water, proper sanitation and good hygiene for every child. Did you know that 6 in 10 people worldwide (4.5 billion) lack safely managed sanitation? If we can raise £500 through donations, we will be able to provide a water pump and a toilet for a school or community, 100 bars of soap for a health centre and 5,000 water purification tablets (enough to purify 20,000 litres of water). Please send your donations into school in an envelope marked 'Harvest'. Please give generously for this very good cause.

Reminder: School Photographs – date for the diary

The photographer will be in school on Monday 8th October 2018 to take individual and group photographs. If you have more than one child in school, we will arrange for them to be photographed together. If you have other children, either pre-school or older children, and would like them to be photographed with their siblings, the photographer will be in the hall from 8.00 am onwards and pictures will be taken on a first come, first-served basis. Please enter the school via the link doors from the playground. There could be a wait for this service, so we have advised Walter Infants/ Meadow Nursery that your child may arrive later than usual that morning.

African Dance Workshop

The children are invited to come into school wearing their PE kit (white t-shirt and navy blue shorts, trainers) on Wednesday 10th October. October is Black History month and one of the activities that the children will be participating in, is to learn about traditional African dance.

Menu Change

Please note there will be a menu change next week. Roast chicken/vegetable Wellington, cheese, apple and biscuits will be served on Tuesday, and cottage pie/vegetable lasagna and rice pudding on Wednesday.

Can you help?

In our efforts to continue to improve the site, we would like to remove the raised planting beds from the Prayer Garden. The beds have served us well over the years but they have reached the end of their life expectancy and are beginning to disintegrate.

To improve safety in this area, we are hoping to raise a working party of volunteers to assist in the removal of the soil (approximately 3 tons of earth!) and to dismantle the beds.

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We are seeking volunteers, armed with wheelbarrows and spades to assist with this project on Saturday 3rd November 2018 from 9am – 11am. If you are able to spare an hour or two, please email admin@stpauls.wokingham.sch.uk

Diary Dates	
Monday 8 th October	School Photos/Sibling Photos
Wednesday 10 th October	African Dance Workshop – come dressed in PE kit
Tuesday 16 th October	Flu Immunisation for Years 3, 4 and 5
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th October	HALF TERM — SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday 29 th October	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday 31st October	Year 6 Height and Measurement Programme