

St Paul's Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2023

An update from Mr. Rubin...

I do not know where the time goes but we have been back at school for three and a half weeks. It was lovely to hear that so many of you were able to pop in for our "Meet the Teacher" morning. Thank you to those of you that completed the feedback – it was really helpful.

Our Early Years Team are doing so well with our new children. We do have some spaces at St. Paul's, particularly in our Nursery Class so if you know any families that are looking for a school, please do ask them to get in touch with us. At the moment we can offer part time or full time places. A full school helps our budget which supports our children.

Our Harvest Service is at St George's in the East next week for Y1 - 6 pupils. We will be collecting tinned goods for the local community. There is a lot to share in this edition – I hope you enjoy reading what your children have been learning and experiencing.

Have a lovely weekend and be kind to one another.



School Library - Ms Blake

Our fantastic librarian, Laura likes to spend time in each classroom talking to children about a range of authors and books. We want our children to read as much as possible both at school and home. Please do encourage your child to read at home and bring any books back that come from our school library.

The Kindness Cup

It is so important to be kind. Did you know that every week in Celebration Assembly, one of our staff nominates a pupil who has shown great kindness. Kindness comes in many forms, it can range from comforting someone who might be feeling a little blue, to helping out a teacher with a task.

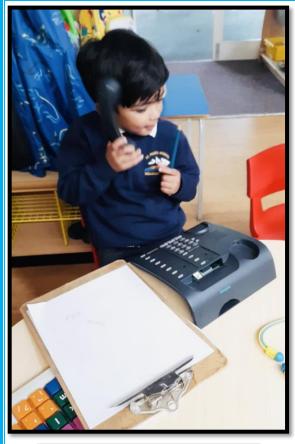
The Kindness Cup is sponsored by Place2Be and it is one of my favourite awards in the school!













Reception Class Update

Our Reception children have been having great fun at the Early Years hospital. Children brought in their teddies and dollies from home and took charge of checking their health and fitness. Collaborative learning through role play and fun. I think we have some potential doctors for the future!











'Meet the Teacher' Morning

So many parents and carers attended our 'Meet the Teacher' session last week. Staff shared the timetables, went through expectations and the learning and teaching that will take place for the term.

Slides will be sent out to all parents/carers and we will have our parent carers meetings in the weeks to come.

Thank you for your feedback via our parent survey. We will be having more parent child workshops focusing on maths and English later in the term.

"I was impressed with how the teacher is very on it with her teaching. She made me felt connected to my child's learning as I'm really passionate about my child education at St. Paul's ; The teachers are very nice, kind and my child love them, and I am so happy about that." (Parent/Carers responding to survey)











<u>Ms Janice</u>



Janice is now back at home recovering and I know that we all want to send our love and best wishes to her and her son as they recuperate.

We are missing you Janice and cannot wait to see you soon. Get well soon from all of us at St. Paul's.

Fire Safety Workshops

A big thank you to Mr Ahmed, one of our parents who works for the London Fire Brigade service.

He visited to carry out Fire Safety workshops for our Year 2 and Year 5 classes. The children learnt lots about the fire service and keeping safe in emergency situations.



Wow! Our non-uniform day helped to raise over £300 for the Morocco and Libya earthquake and flood appeals. Thank you for your kind donations!







<u>Transition Morning - Thank you</u> <u>Rachael!</u>

The year 6 transition coffee morning took place with parents meeting with the p2b school counsellor, the p2b parent worker and Georgina our TA who very kindly provided information and translation. Thoughts, feelings, ideas and practical advice were shared over coffee and croissants! The talk was around the transition process and how to get the best out of it for the children. There is a follow up breakfast session on Thursday 19th October at 9am where laptops will be provided and assistance can be given to fill in the online application.



Follow Us on Twitter

The very best way to keep up to date with what is happening in our school is to follow us on Twitter on the handle <u>https://twitter.com/StPaulsCESchool</u>. We have 767 followers and the more followers we have, the more people will see what a fantastic school this is!

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FRIDAY OCTOBER 6TH 9.30AM

PLEASE BRING IN NON PERISHABLE GOODS INTO SCHOOL



Are you concerned about a child or a family?

Make a factual record of your concern.

(Include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature)

You must share your concerns without delay.

The Designated Members of Staff Responsible for Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Paul's are:



Darren Rubin Executive Headteacher



Kathy Blake Deputy Headteacher



John Boutflour Assistant Headteacher

St John's & Paul's Whitechapel CE Primary Schools Term Dates and Holidays - 2023/ 2024

Autumn Term 2023 (75 days)

Staff Training

Mon 4th & Tue 5th September

First Day of Term Half Term Second half of term Last Day of Term Wednesday 6th September Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October Monday 30th October Friday 22nd December

Christmas DayMonday 25th DecemberBoxing DayTuesday 26th December

Spring Term 2024 (54 days)

New Year's Day Monday 1st JanuaryStaff TrainingMonday 8th JanuaryFirst Day of TermTuesday 9th JanuaryHalf TermMon. 12th to Fri. 16th FebruarySecond half of termMonday 19th FebruaryLast Day of TermThursday 28th March

Good Friday Friday 29th March Easter Monday Monday 1st April

Summer Term 2024 (66 days)

Staff TrainingMonday 15th AprilFirst Day of TermTuesday 16th AprilMay Day Bank HolidayMonday 6th MayStaff TrainingFriday 24th MayHalf TermMonday 27th to Friday 31st MaySecond half of termMonday 3rd JuneLast Day of TermTuesday 23rd July

Ramadan begins Eid Al-Fitr Eid Al-Adha Sunday 10th March 2024* Tuesday/ Wednesday 9th/ 10th April 2024* Sunday/ Monday 16th/ 17th June 2024*

195 days including 5 staff training days * to be confirmed