



# St Paul's Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## *An update from Mr. Rubin...*

The end of the penultimate term sees the completion of the Key Stage 2 SATs. I will write a little more about that below. The Value of the Term is Endurance and you can see how students embraced that, working hard, doing their best and never giving up. We are very proud of them.

In addition to SATs, in the newsletter this week you will read about how Year 5 have been very enterprising, an update on the building work in the playground, news about wraparound care that has now begun and lots more.

Our Value next term is Koinonia. This is one of my favourites as it focuses on how we look after our community. St. Paul's has a long-standing tradition of doing just that and I look forward to sharing with you our plans for SEWA day next term.

Have a great half term break and be kind to one another.



## **Well done Class 6**

Huge congratulations to our friends in Class 6 who have now completed their Key Stage 2 SATS. Before every test, the children would come in early, have a delicious breakfast and relax with their friends. You can tell by the pictures that the children were not stressed and nor should they have been. They prepared well and understood that they just had to do their best. I was particularly pleased with the picture below on the left which shows the children dancing once the exams had been completed! Thank you to Ms Foster and Ms Georgina along with all the staff who supported the children.





### **Staffing Update – Ms Robinson**

I am very sad to be reporting that the incredible Ms Robinson will be leaving St Paul's at the end of the academic year in July as she embarks on a new adventure to travel and then head back to Hong Kong.

Ms Robinson joined us as an Early Careers Teacher (ECT) after working with us as a student and we knew very quickly how fantastic she was and were so pleased that she accepted a job with us.

Ms Robinson always has a smile on her face and brings such warmth and positivity to everything she does. We will all miss her but I know everyone will wish her well on her travels.



### **Computing Update**

I have said many times before that we are so fortunate to have members of our Governing Body so invested in the school. This week, Mark visited both schools to explore computing, dropping in to some lessons and speaking to children and staff. He was very impressed with the teaching and learning that he observed and how articulate the children were. Thank you to Ms Moses for organising this.



## Class 1 Update

At St Paul's, we encourage our staff to take the children out as often as possible to explore the incredible city that we live in. Year 1 have truly embraced this having recently been on trips to the science museum and Kew Gardens which is on the other side of London! Thank you to Miss Begum who organised these trips and our parent/carers volunteers who helped to support. Finally, a huge well done to our children who had such a fantastic time and were exemplary throughout.







### **After School Stay and Play Wraparound Club**

Our after-school wraparound provision has now started. It takes place Monday to Friday after school until 5:30pm. Lots of activities are on offer along with a healthy snack for the children at just £8.00 per session which must be booked in advance.

For more information or to reserve a place, email [parents@st-pauls.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:parents@st-pauls.towerhamlets.sch.uk)





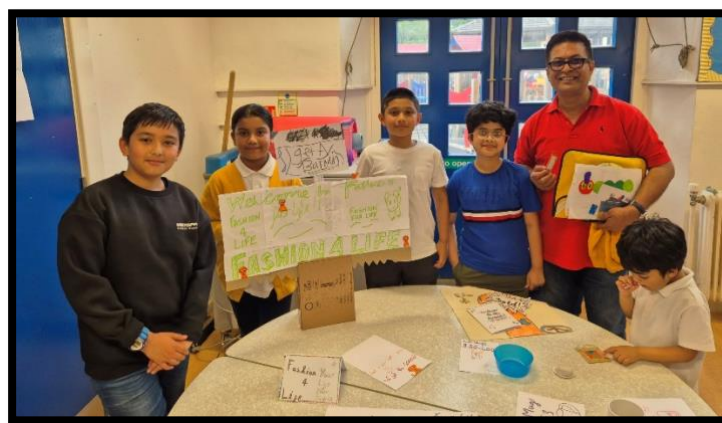
## Enterprise in Class 5 – Mr Boutflour

Our Year 5 pupils have been involved in a 'Financial Literacy project linked with the Bank of England. It has been organised through 'The Switch' who have teamed up St Paul's with ION Group who are based in the City, near Cannon Street.

The ION volunteers have visited the school four times to teach the class about how money works, exploring different types of jobs and helping to prepare the class for their group sales project. We also visited the Bank of England, had a seminar and got a tour of the museum there. Fascinating!

The class then held a very successful product sale at St Paul's on Friday 17th May. The pupils raised over £185 for the school funds.

Then on Tuesday 21st May, the class went to the ION Group offices where they gave group presentations in front of a panel of four. All the groups acquitted themselves brilliantly and we are so proud of them.





## **Nursery Class Update**

There are always wonderful things happening in the Early Years. You can see how children in Caterpillar class have been learning about the life cycle of butterflies studying the transformation from chrysalis to beautiful butterfly. The children were transfixed as Ms Monora released them into the wild!



## **Place2Be Parent Workshop**

Thank you to Rachael and Lindsey who ran a very well attended workshop on the importance of having a good bedtime routine.

It was an excellent opportunity for parents to spend some time together to talk and share common experiences.

## **Follow Us on X and Instagram**

One of the very best ways to keep up to date with what is happening in our school is to follow us on social media. We are on X

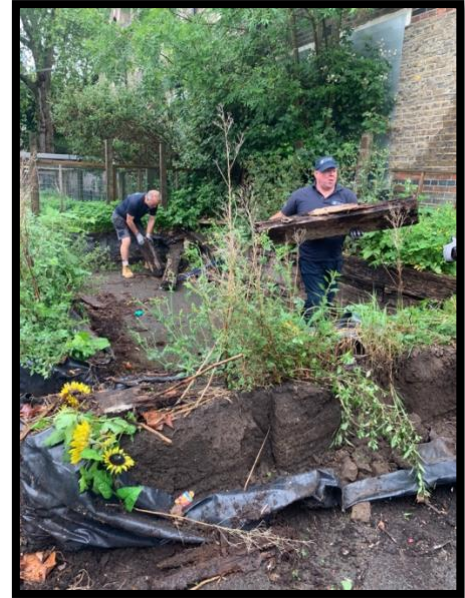
<https://twitter.com/StPaulsCESchool> and

<https://www.instagram.com/stpaulswhitechapel/?hl=en>

Follow us – there are some fantastic photos and clips of your children.







## **Playground Redesign With Splash Projects**

Thank you to Splash Projects for the much needed transformational work they have carried out in our playground. They have removed the old flower beds where the wood was rotting and designed and built new planters and some additional seating along with a sensory area for the children to enjoy. The playground will feel bigger as there will be more room to run around.

Thank you to Ms Blake for organising this and to our parent volunteers along with Ms Janice and Ms Rehana who cooked for the team. A big thank you to Mr Andy and Mr John for coordinating the volunteers and getting the plants and flowers.











## **Federation INSET day at St John's**

It was a busy day at St John's as colleagues from St Paul's joined us for presentations by Claire from the Healthy Lives Team on Fantastic Food in School followed by reflections on Wellbeing led by Julia from Place2Be.

We will soon be moving to our Family style dining service at St John's, something we have been doing for a while now at St Paul's so a good opportunity to share knowledge and learn from one another.



## **National Numeracy Day Update**

For National Numeracy Day Ms Foster organised the celebration by joining the 'Live National Numeracy Day Stream' assembly.

Children had a guest speaker come into school and learnt lots about every day maths.

Thank you to Ms Foster for arranging this.





# School term and holiday dates

## School term dates 2024/25

### Autumn term 2024

Period	Dates
Term 1	Monday 2 September 2024 - Friday 25 October 2024 40 Days
Half Term	Monday 28 October 2024 - Friday 1 November 2024
Term 2	Monday 4 November 2024 - Friday 20 December 2024 35 Days
Christmas break	Monday 23 December 2024 - Friday 3 January 2025

### Spring term 2025

Term 3	Monday 6 January 2025 - Friday 14 February 2025 30 Days
Half term	Monday 17 February 2025 - Friday 21 February 2025
Term 4	Monday 24 February 2025 - Friday 4 April 2025 30 Days
Easter break	Monday 7 April 2025 - Monday 21 April 2025

### Summer term 2025

Term 5	Tuesday 22 April 2025 - Friday 23 May 2025 23 Days
Half term	Tuesday 27 May 2025 – Friday 30 May 2025
Term 6	Monday 2 June 2025 – Thursday 24 July 2025 39 Days

INSET Days Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024

(3 more to be arranged)





# CONTRACT CATERING SERVICES

## LUNCH MENU

Apr 2024 - Oct 2024



Week 1	Monday 'Planet Earth Day'	Tuesday 'Street Food Day'	<b>FREE FROM</b> Main Allergens Wednesday 'Traditional Day'	Thursday Turkish	Friday 'Favourites'
Dates	15 April - 29 April - 13 May	27 May - 10 June - 24 June	05 July - 22 July - 05 Aug	19 Aug - 02 Sept - 16 Sept	30 Sept - 14 Oct - 28 Oct
Option 1	Vegemince Penne Pasta Bolognese	Beef Chili in Soft Taco Shell with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Kofta in Sweet Pepper & Tomato Sauce with Pitta Bread or Rice & Tzatziki	Cod or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips
Option 2	Chickpea & Vegetable Jambalaya	Red Pepper & Sweetcorn Pizza with Potato Wedges	Vegetarian Tikka Masala with Rice	Turkish Vegetable Ratatouille (Turku Turku) with Rice	Battered Vegetable Sausage with Chips
On the side	Sweetcorn & Broccoli	Roasted Mediterranean Vegetables	Green Beans & Roasted Cauliflower	Shredded Green Cabbage & Carrots	Peas & Baked Beans
Salads	Tomato, Basil & Red Onion Salad	Crunchy Red Coleslaw	Chef's House Salad	Turkish Shepherd's Salad	New Potato & Chive Salad
Dessert	Fruity Yoghurt Bar	Cheddar Cheese with Breadstick	Fresh Fruit Salad	Minted Lime & Strawberry Yoghurt	Apple & Berries Yoghurt Crunch

DAILY OPTIONS - Daily Salad / Fresh Bread / Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter / Yoghurt

Week 2	Monday 'Planet Earth Day'	Tuesday 'Street Food Day'	<b>FREE FROM</b> Main Allergens Wednesday 'Traditional Day'	Thursday Puerto Rican	Friday 'Favourites'
Dates	22 April - 06 May - 20 May	03 June - 17 June - 01 July	15 July - 29 July - 12 Aug	26 Aug - 9 Sept - 23 Sept	7 Oct - 21 Oct
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Southern Fried Chicken Burger with Cajun Potato Wedges	Minced Beef Cottage Pie	Puerto Rican Chicken and Rice	Battered Pollock Fillet with Chips
Option 2	Bombay Vegetable Biryani	Honey & Ginger Veggie Strips Stir Fried with Egg Noodles	Vegetable & Beans Chili with Rice	Guero Carne Guisada with Garlic & Parsley Bread Slices	Cheese & Broccoli Quiche with Chips
On the side	Peas & Sweetcorn	Green Vegetable Medley	Carrots & Green Beans	Latina Broccoli & Baby Corn on the Cobs	Peas & Baked Beans
Salads	Couscous Salad	Crunchy Coleslaw	Chef's House Salad	Cauliflower Ceviche served with homemade tortilla	Asian Noodle Salad
Dessert	Fruity Yoghurt Bar	Cheddar Cheese with Breadstick	Fresh Fruit Salad	Tropical Fruity Yoghurt	Apple & Banana Yoghurt with Rice Krispies

DAILY OPTIONS - Daily Salad / Fresh Bread / Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter / Yoghurt

Please Note that some dishes maybe subject to local changes to suit individual school needs



CHICKEN  
RICE AND  
VEGETABLES

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Every effort is made to minimise risk of cross-contamination. However, it should be noted that our food is prepared in a kitchen where known allergens may be present and therefore the risk of cross-contamination remains a risk. Please ask staff for further details regarding specific dietary requirements and/or allergens.

Recipe  
Inspired by  
**Elijah**  
Year 4  
St. Anne's &  
Guardian Angels  
Primary School

This term we  
are making  
**WEDNESDAY  
ALLERGY  
FREE DAY**  
With a new menu  
that does not contain  
any of the  
**14 MAJOR ALLERGIES**

Fantastic FOOD IN SCHOOLS





## ALL WELCOME



- Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January (Candlemas) St Paul's school hall
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February (Lent) St Paul's school hall
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March (Holy Week) St Paul's school hall
- Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March (Easter Sunday) St George in the East TBC\*
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May (Easter) St Paul's school hall
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June (Pentecost) St Paul's school hall
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July (Leavers) St Paul's school hall
- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July (Dedication Festival) St George in the East TBC\*

Refreshments from 3.40pm service 4-4.30pm.



# **Tower Hamlets & City SENDIASS**

## **(Special Educational Needs Information, Advice and Support Service)**

The SENDIASS Team provides free and impartial expert advice to parents of children with SEND and to children and young people themselves who are residents within Tower Hamlets or City of London. Some of the ways we can support you are:

- **Attending meetings with schools/professionals**
- **Applying for an Education Health and Care Plan**
- **Mediation with the Local Authority**
- **Preparing and attending SEND Tribunals**
- **Providing information about other support services and departments**

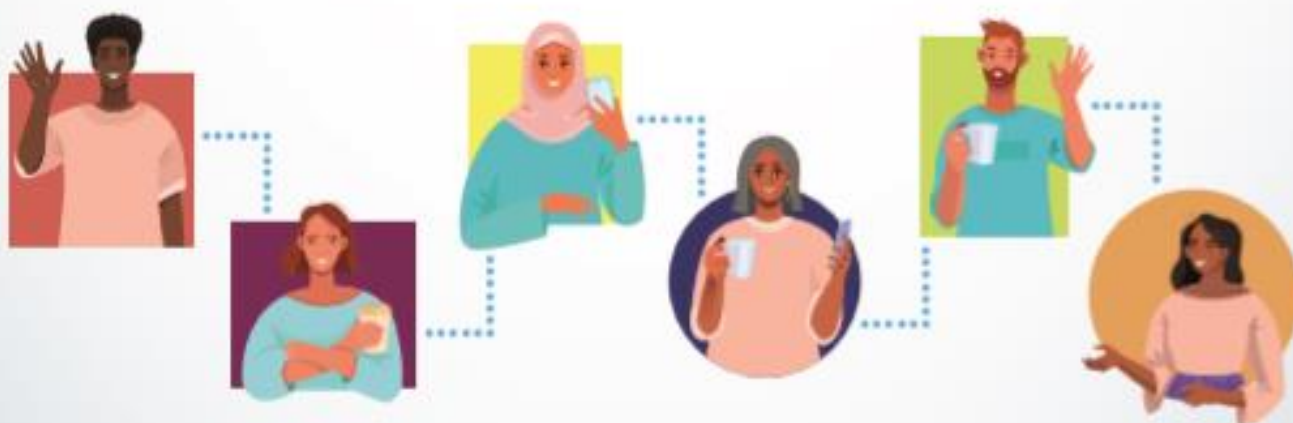
Our team also runs workshops for parents around the EHCP process, Annual Reviews, and Secondary School Transitions.

If your query can not be resolved during the telephone consultation, we will take a referral and you will be allocated a caseworker who will contact you within 10 working days.

We have a dedicated telephone line, **020 7364 6489**, that you can call to speak to an advisor Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m-17:00 p.m.

You can also email us at:  
**[towerhamlets&city.sendiass@towerhamlets.gov.uk](mailto:towerhamlets&city.sendiass@towerhamlets.gov.uk)**

You can visit our website at:  
**<https://www.towerhamletsandcitysendiass.com/>**





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**4:45-5:45 PM**

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## **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**



**Autumn Term 2023** (75 days)

<b>Staff Training</b>	<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; Tue 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>
First Day of Term	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
Second half of term	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October
Last Day of Term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December

*Christmas Day Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December*  
*Boxing Day Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December*

**Spring Term 2024** (54 days)

<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> January</i>
<b>Staff Training</b>	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January</b>
First Day of Term	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Mon. 12 <sup>th</sup> to Fri. 16 <sup>th</sup> February
Second half of term	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February
Last Day of Term	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March

*Good Friday Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March*  
*Easter Monday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April*

**Summer Term 2024** (66 days)

<b>Staff Training</b>	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>
First Day of Term	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Staff Training</b>	<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Second half of term	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Last Day of Term	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July

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

195 days including 5 staff training days

\* to be confirmed