



St Paul's Newsletter

Sunday 15th September 2024

An update from Mr. Rubin...

We're thrilled to welcome back our returning students and to extend a warm welcome to our new families. As we start this new academic year, we're filled with excitement and anticipation for all that lies ahead.

It has already been a busy start to the term. Our Year 6 class have visited the Houses of Parliament and we were delighted to welcome our local MP, Rushanara Ali into school. She was very impressed with our children and her tour of the school.

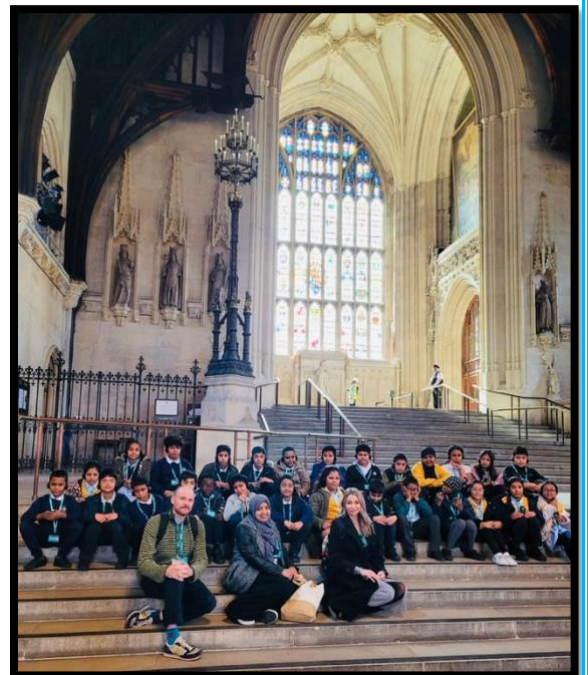
We're immensely proud of our recent Key Stage 2 SATs results, which reflect the hard work and dedication of our students and teachers. Our scores are outstanding. Additionally, the feedback we received from our recent parent/carer surveys has been overwhelmingly positive, reaffirming our commitment to providing a high-quality education for every child. I will share this with you over the next few weeks. Our 'Meet the Teacher' morning for classes 1-6 is Thursday 19th September and we have the term dates on the last page for you. I look forward to sharing our Ofsted report as soon as it is published. It should be any day now.

It's a privilege to have the opportunity to educate your children and I am very proud to lead such a dedicated group of staff. We will see you on Monday - be kind to one another.

First School Trip of the Year

We have only been back for a few days yet our first trip of the year has already taken place. Year Six had an incredible trip to the Houses of Parliament in Westminster

where they enjoyed an informative tour followed by an interactive workshop - a great start to their topic, 'Champions for Change.' And an opportunity to meet their friends at St John's!



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.



First Kindness Cup Winner of the Year

Our Value of the term is Wisdom and focuses on children having the strength to make the right choices.

I know that Ms Foster certainly applied those skills when choosing the first Kindness Cup Winner of the year. Congratulations to this pupil – a very worthy winner.



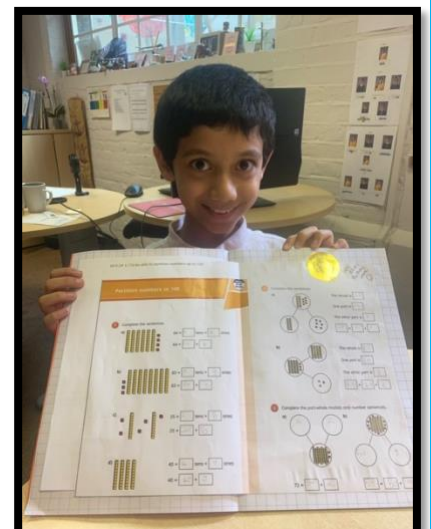
Thank you Mr. Bruce

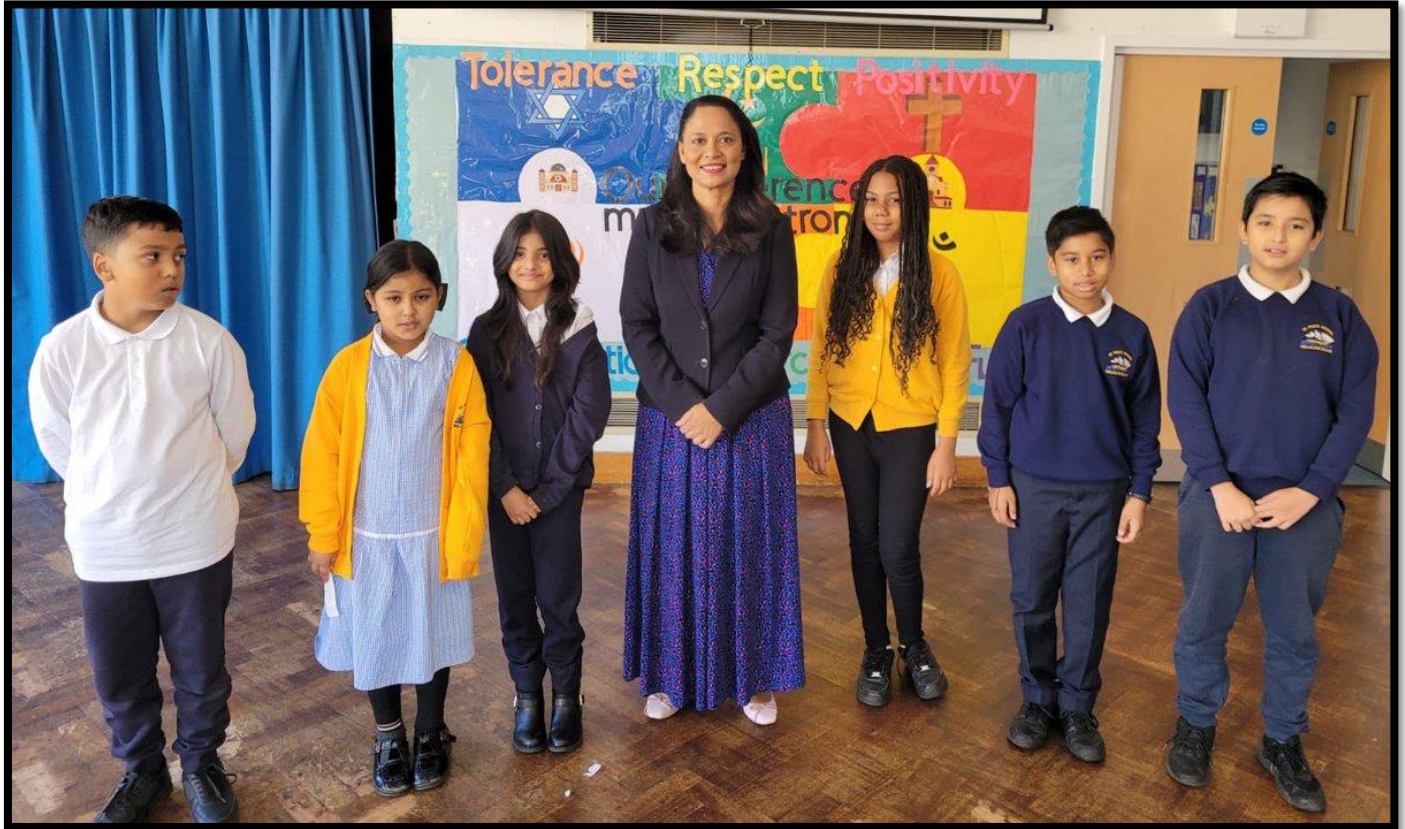
Singing sessions have already begun with Mr, Bruce. We are so fortunate to have him leading our singing in the school.



First Golden Book Entry of the Year

A fantastic piece of maths work was completed by one of our Y5 pupils. It was such a lovely piece of work that Ms Blake decided that it should be the first addition to our Golden Book for this term.
Great news and well done!





Rushanara Ali Visits St Paul's

What an honour it was to have our local MP Rushanara Ali visit our pupils.

Rushanara grew up in our borough attending Mulberry school and Tower Hamlets College. She was the first in her family to go to university and studied Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oxford University

She spoke to our children about the importance of democracy and they asked some excellent questions. Rushanara noted on her twitter feed how impressed she was with the children and the school.





EYFS Whole Class Speech and Language Intervention

Our Reception class is thriving with our whole-class language intervention program.

Our children love learning through engaging activities and games. This investment in early language skills is crucial and we are fortunate to have our Speech and Language Therapist, Deneice Dyer, and Mrs. Mitchell supporting our students' language development across all year groups.





Summer Food Bank at St Paul's

I wanted to say a big thank you to staff who selflessly gave up a day of their holidays to support our food bank. Thanks to their assistance in setting everything up, we were able to provide support to over 45 families.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to The Hygiene Bank, The Felix Project, and Reynolds Grocers for their generous donations. Their kindness and support have made a significant difference. Thank you to Mr. Andy for going above and beyond by driving to collect hygiene products too. You can see how tightly packed his car was!.

This act of service aligns perfectly with our school's values of Compassion and Koinonia, supporting our community and Letting Our Light Shine!



Message from Rachael at Place2Be 12th September 2024

St Paul's continues to work with Place2Be, a national charity supporting schools to improve the confidence and wellbeing of children and young people. Place2Be provides emotional and therapeutic support to children and young people, families and staff in more than 450 schools nationwide. It gives children and young people a space to express themselves through talking and creative work, and to think about any worries they might have. Place2Be also provides support for parents and staff too.

Place2Talk

As you know, one of the most popular aspects of this service is called 'Place2Talk'.

It's open to all children and young people at St Paul's, and they can make an appointment to spend 15 minutes with a trained counsellor, either by themselves or with a friend. On average, about a third of children and young people who access the service in schools take advantage of this service every year. Children and young people often talk about friendships or any worries they may have.

Place2Be will record your child's name, date of birth, year group, gender, ethnicity, the broad topic of discussion and any actions taken as a result of the session. This information is stored securely. It is used in key coded form to evaluate Place2Be's service and improve our work. Please see the separate sheet, at the end of this letter, for more information on this

Parental Agreement for Accessing Place2Talk

Unless we hear otherwise from you in the next 2 weeks, from the date on this letter, the school and Place2Be will assume that your child has parent/carers' permission to come to Place2Talk.

If you would like to find out more, please contact Rachael, The Place 2Be School Project Manager on 020 7480 6581 ex 206 who will be very happy to answer any questions. If you would prefer that your child does not use this service, please ask Taybah for the opt out sheet in reception for you to sign.





WRAPAROUND CARE

Our wraparound care after school club has started.

It is open every day from 3:30pm – 5:30pm and is open to everyone from Nursery to Year 6 at a cost of £8.00 per session that must be booked in advance.

Lots of activities, healthy snacks and an opportunity to have fun in the safe environment of our school.





CONTRACT CATERING SERVICES

LUNCH MENU

Apr 2024 - Oct 2024



Week 1	Monday 'Planet Earth Day'	Tuesday 'Street Food Day'	FREE FROM Main Allergens Wednesday 'Traditional Day'	Thursday Turkish	Friday 'Favourites'
Dates	15 April - 23 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	Vegetarian Penne Pasta Bolognese	Beef Chili in Soft Taco Shell with Potato Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Kofte in Sweet Pepper & Tomato Sauce with Pita 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'	FREE FROM Main Allergens Wednesday 'Traditional Day'	Thursday Puerto Rican	Friday 'Favourites'
Dates	22 April - 08 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	Quorn Carne Guisada with Garlic & Parsley Bread Slices	Cheese & Broccoli Guiche 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 Caviche 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



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

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.

This term we are making **WEDNESDAY ALLERGY FREE DAY**

With a new menu that does not contain any of the 14 MAJOR ALLERGIES



Tower Hamlets and City
SEND IASS



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

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



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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

St John's & St Paul's Whitechapel CE Primary Schools
Term Dates and Holidays - 2024/ 2025

Autumn Term 2024

Staff Training	Mon 2 nd & Tue 3 rd September
First Day of Term	Wednesday 4 th September
Half Term	Monday 28 th – Friday 1 st November
Staff Training	Mon 4 th November
Second half of term	Tuesday 5 th November
Last Day of Term	Friday 20 th December

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

Spring Term 2025

New Year's Day Monday 1st January

First Day of Term	Monday 6 th January
Half Term	Mon. 17 th to Fri. 21 st February
Second half of term	Monday 24 th February
Last Day of Term	Friday 4 th April

<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Friday 18th April</i>
<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Monday 21st April</i>

Summer Term 2025

First Day of Term	Tuesday 22 nd April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May
Half Term	Tuesday 27 th to Friday 30 th May
Second half of term	Monday 2 nd June
Last Day of Term	Thursday 24 th July

<i>Ramadan begins</i>	<i>Friday 28^h February 2025*</i>
<i>Eid Al-Fitr</i>	<i>Sunday 30th March 2025*</i>
<i>Eid Al-Adha</i>	<i>Friday 6th June 2025*</i>

195 days including 5 staff training days - 2 staff training days to be arranged

* to be confirmed