



St. Pauls C/E Infant School and Sure Start Children's Centre

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Headteacher's Newsletter – 17th January 2019

Happy new year!

Friends of St Paul's

The Friends of St Paul's are continuing to work hard to raise funds for the new playground equipment for children, which they will be able to use all year round.

Events planned for this term are as follows:-

- Friday 18th January – Elm Class Cake Sale
- Tuesday 5th February – Bag2School Collection. Please send in bags before 9am on this day (containing any good quality (for re-use) clothing, paired shoes, handbags, scarves and ties, jewellery, soft toys, towels, curtains, bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)
- Thursday 7th February (8pm) – Annual General Meeting and follow up planning meeting (All invited and welcome to come along and find out about funds raised and future plans)
- Thursday 14th February – 9-10am – Friend's of St Paul's Coffee morning – All welcome
- Thursday 14th March - 9-10am – Friend's of St Paul's Coffee morning – All welcome
- Friday 29th March – Whole School Mufti Day in exchange for £1 (for Easter Eggs for the Egg Tombola)
- Friday 5th April – 2-3pm – Easter Hour (Easter Fair)

New Parent Governors

Following the governor recruitment before Christmas, I am pleased to tell you that Mr Steven Stewart-Farmer, Dad to Chloe in Beech Class and Miss Louise Kennedy, Mum to Charlie Oliver in Rowan Class will be joining our governing body.

Acts of Kindness

Thanks to all who completed this with your child(ren)

We have awarded certificates and book rewards for those that have been returned but we have one unnamed. It has some red, yellow and green shading and dates completed in green pen. Please let me know if this is yours, so that we can award the certificate and book.

Entry into School – Beech Class

Please bear in mind that after half term all children, including Beech Class should be coming into school on their own.

If your Beech Class child is not yet coming in on his/her own please start to talk to him/her about what will be happening after half term and if you have any concerns about this please talk to Mrs Laxton or Mrs James so that you can plan next steps together.

InSeT Days

The last 2 In Service Training Days have been planned as follows:-

- Monday 25th February
- Monday 24th June

School will be closed for the children on these days.

Attendance

In common with most schools, we monitor the attendance of individual children not only because it is our statutory duty but also because we know that good attendance correlates to good outcomes. We are also monitored by the local authority with regular visits from the Educational Welfare Officer.

Our attendance policies can be found via our website or paper copies can be requested from the office.

Parents should be aware that "leave in exceptional circumstances" can be requested and authorised absence may be agreed, but family holidays would not be deemed as exceptional circumstances and would be deemed as unauthorised absence, meaning that a fixed penalty fine of £60 per child per parent may be issued.

Reminders – PE Kits and Water Bottles

Please help us to make best use of time and make sure that your child has

- A clear sports cap water bottle – filled with fresh plain drinking water
- A PE kit in a named drawstring bag (Beech Class need blue or black shorts and a red t-shirt, Rowan and Elm Classes need blue or black shorts and a red t-shirt PLUS a jogging bottoms and plimsoles/ trainers for games)

School Funding – Pupil Premium (sometimes known as free School Meals)

As you know all children now receive free meals in school but there is additional funding available to us as a school called pupil premium. Please see the information included with this letter and complete the form if you think that you may be eligible.

We use the additional funding to employ additional staff to support the children in school plus if you/ your child is eligible, trips will only be ½ price and uniform can also be funded.

Dates for you diaries

Friday 18th January – Elm Class Cake Sale

Tuesday 5th February – Bag2School Collection (9am)

Thursday 7th February (8pm) – Annual General Meeting and follow up planning meeting (All invited and welcome to come along and find out about funds raised and future plans)

Thursday 14th February – 9-10am – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd – Half Term

Monday 25th February – InSeT Day – School closed for the children

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – Children to come to school dressed as a book character and visit to Waterstones Book Shop in Farnham

Monday 11th March – 2.30-2.55 – Work Sharing

Thursday 14th March - 9-10am – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Friday 15th March – 9 – 9.25am – Work Sharing

Friday 15th March – Rowan Class Cake Sale

Monday 18th March – 2.30-4.30 – Parent Teacher Meetings – all classes

Tuesday 19th March – 2.30-4pm – Parent Teacher Meetings – Beech Class

Wednesday 20th March – 6-8pm – Parent Teacher Meetings – all classes

Thursday 21st March – 2.30-4pm – Parent Teacher Meetings – Rowan and Elm classes

Friday 29th March – Whole School Mufti Day in exchange for £1 (for Easter Eggs for the Egg Tombola)

Friday 29th March – 9am – Mother’s Day Assembly – All welcome

Thursday 4th April – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Friday 5th April – 9.30am – Easter Service in church

Friday 5th April – Last day of term. School closes at 2pm

Friday 5th April – 2-3pm – Easter Hour

Tuesday 23rd April – First day of the Spring term

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday Monday – School closed

Thursday 9th May – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Friday 17th May – Beech Class Assembly – All welcome

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May – Half Term

Monday 3rd June – Rowan Class to Waverley Abbey School (am)

Friday 7th June – Beech Class Cake Sale

Thursday 13th June – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Friday 14th June – Elm Class visit to Witley Common

Monday 24th June – InSeT Day – School closed for the children

Friday 28th June – Elm Class assembly – All welcome

Thursday 4th July – Friend’s of St Paul’s Coffee morning – All welcome

Friday 5th July – Rowan Class Assembly

Thursday 11th July – Elm Class to Waverley Abbey School Sports Morning

Thursday 18th July – 9.30am – Sport’s Day

Wednesday 24th July – 9.30am – End of term service at church – all welcome

Wednesday 24th July - Last Day of Term. School closes at 2pm

Thursday 5th September – First Day of Term for Rowan and Beech Classes