



# St Paul's C of E Junior School

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you and your family enjoyed the half term break from school. After a chilly week, we still have a high number of pupils coming to school without coats who then feel miserable because of how cold they are out on the playground at break and lunchtime. Please ensure that your child brings a coat to school.

Our new School Council met for the first time this lunchtime for a training session on how to greet visitors to the classroom with confidence and how to explain the learning taking place. After school today, House Captains will be running a Poppy Appeal stall selling stationery, wrist bands and other items to raise money for the British Legion. If any items remain unsold, the stall will run again on Monday.

We sent out a parentmail message earlier in the week regarding lost property. The store is situated at the Murray Road gates, beside the Air Ambulance recycling bank, and is currently full to overflowing with unclaimed uniform and sports kit, including some new sweatshirts and cardigans! On Monday, the container is due to be emptied and any unclaimed items will be donated to the Air Ambulance Appeal or disposed of.

After five very successful years as our Chair of Governors, Penny Wallace has decided that now is the right time to hand over the reins.

Those of you who know or have worked with Penny will appreciate what an excellent job she has done and what a significant driving force she has been in terms of our improvement work over the last few years.

Since taking on the role of Chair in 2013, Penny has been an exceptional 'critical friend' to the school, helping to make St Paul's the very best that it can be. She is well known and widely respected by her governor colleagues, staff and pupils – particularly those on the School Council. Although Penny is stepping down as Chair, she will continue as a member of the full governing body and working alongside our School Councillors.

Congratulations to Peter Collins who will be taking over as Chair and to Father Richard who will continue in the role as Vice - chair. We also welcome new governors, James Richardson and Colin Hudson.

If you have a spade and a spare hour tomorrow, please come and join us emptying the planters in the Prayer Garden. We will be in school from 9.00 am to 11.00 am, please park in the school car park.

Mrs Taylor

## Upcoming Events

### November 6 & 7

Parent Consultations

### November 15

TVRL Black Park, Slough

### November 30

Year 4 Samba Day

## Safeguarding

It can be challenging to know whether children are spending too much time on their devices.

Furthermore, it's even more of a challenge to know whether a child is addicted to the internet and social media. For a helpful parents' guide, follow the [link](#).

## Safety of young visitors to the site

We are becoming increasingly concerned about the lack of parental supervision for some of the young children who come to pick up siblings from St Paul's. In the last few weeks, there have been numerous incidents of children climbing over the walls of the outdoor classrooms, standing on the top of the table tennis tables, and playing on the wooden fort and activity trail. Whilst waiting to pick up children from school, the only place parents and children are permitted to wait, is on the playground. This ensures the safety of every small visitor and that our site is treated with the same respect shown by our pupils.

## Parking Reminder

Parents of children at St Paul's and Walter Infant School continue to insist on parking in the car park of the flats on the corner of Oxford Road and Murray Road. This is not permitted as the car park is reserved for the sole use of the residents who are being prevented from parking in the designated bays for their property. It is unacceptable to prevent residents from accessing their car park. **Please avoid parking here at any time.** We have requested that the Police Community Support Officers support the residents in eradicating this problem.

There is plenty of parking within walking distance of school and therefore no need to block the drives of properties or private car parking spaces. We appreciate that such inconsiderate behavior is down to a small number of our parents, but this is causing a huge problem for our school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Punctuality

It is important that children arrive in school on time every day for a number of reasons:

- It is the legal responsibility of parents to ensure that their child is in school on time;
- Children who are punctual are able to spend time with friends and have a calm, well-ordered start to the school day;
- Arriving late can mean that children miss school work and key information about the day's activities;
- A child who is late disrupts the learning of their classmates;
- It is stressful to arrive late and flustered, and it can feel very awkward for a child to arrive after a lesson has begun;

The table below shows how much learning is lost over the school year.

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

\*Days are school days and calculated over a school year

Our school day starts at 8.50am and pupils should be in the playground by 8.45am. If there is a particular reason why you are finding it difficult to ensure your child arrives in school on time, please contact the school office on 0118 978 5219.

## Sporting News

Goodness what a busy first half of the term we've had. We started the term with a bang with the mixed Year 3 and 4 football tournament. The boys and girls played magnificently and we came a very respectable joint 3rd place in our pool. Player of the tournament was Finn Borkowski.

## Wokingham District Football League

We have both girls' and boys' football teams in the autumn league this year. We've kicked off the girls' season playing our first match against Robert Piggott Junior. This was an extremely tough game as the girls at RPJ also play together outside school for Wargrave Girls FC. We lost 0-9 but showed tremendous resilience, the girls kept fighting right to the end. Player of the match was Jenny Dunn (Goalie) who made some fantastic saves.

## Netball

Our Year 5&6 netball team has been very busy having played 3 matches already. The team were all new to netball, and have demonstrated fantastic progress so far this term. We have a very strong group in the league including both last year's winners and runners up, which has meant we have had very tough games. However, the team has shown massive improvement with each game, with more points scored and less goals being given away. We have A and B teams and have fielded an entire squad of 28 boys and girls over all the matches.

Match 1	St. Paul's A v St. Nicholas A – 0 – 25 Player of the match – Rhys Littleford
	St. Paul's B v St. Nicholas B – 0 – 9 Player of the match – Kian Smith
Match 2	Westende A v St. Paul's A – 0 – 18 Player of the match – Kian Smith
	Westende B v St. Paul's B – 0 – 9 Player of the match – Ellis Eggleton
Match 3	Willowbank A v St. Paul's A - 14 – 3 Player of the match – Natalie Foster
	Willowbank B v St. Paul's B – 9 – 4 Player of the match – Grace Byfield



## Year 5 Netball Tournament – Luckley House School

The Year 5's had a fantastic afternoon of netball at Luckley House School. The tournament was split into two pools with a total of 7 schools in each pool. St. Paul's came 3rd overall in our pool and also drew the 3rd place play-off, therefore coming joint 3rd overall. Player of the tournament was Samantha Sehejpal.

## TVRL

We've kicked off the 2018-19 season in style with a wonderful afternoon of racing at Bluecoat School on 4th October. The sun shone brightly as St. Paul's demonstrated some magnificent performances. We fielded a team of 50 runners, half were from the lower school and half from the upper with a good mixture of boys and girls. Everyone had fun and completed the course including those runners who have never competed before. Lower school children run for 1.7Km and upper school children run for 2.4Km. The highlight of the afternoon was watching Marnie Fieldsend (Yr 6) coming in first place in front of the hare!!

Mrs Foster, PE & Sport Coordinator

Diary Dates	
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November (AM)</b> <b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November (PM)</b>	Parent Consultations
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	TVRL Race, Black Park, Slough
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Year 4 Samba Day
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	PTA Christmas Fair 5.30-7.00pm
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Celebration 2pm and 5.30pm
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Celebration 5.30pm
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	PTA Christmas Discos 6.15-7.15pm & 7.45-8.45pm
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b>	End of Term



**Evening Course**

**Incredible Years parenting course**  
Help for parents with challenging 4 to 11 yr olds

Parenting is probably the hardest job an adult will undertake, but also the one for which the least amount of training and preparation is provided. Why not attend an Incredible Years Parenting course. This effective, practical and intensive course covers the following topics:

- Does your child argue with adults as well as their peers?
- Is your child unwilling to accept and follow adults' requests or rules?
- Is your child touchy, irritable and often annoyed by others?
- Does your child blame other people for their mistakes / misbehaviour?
- Do you spend more time telling them off than having fun with them?
- Are you feeling worried or stressed and wondering if things will ever get easier?

**Evening Course: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019**  
(Excluding February half term)  
**7pm – 9pm**

**Venue: Brambles Children's Centre, Budges Gardens, Wokingham, RG40 1PX**  
Facilitated by Deborah Wiggins & Maura Crawley  
07379 603811 / 07917 507255

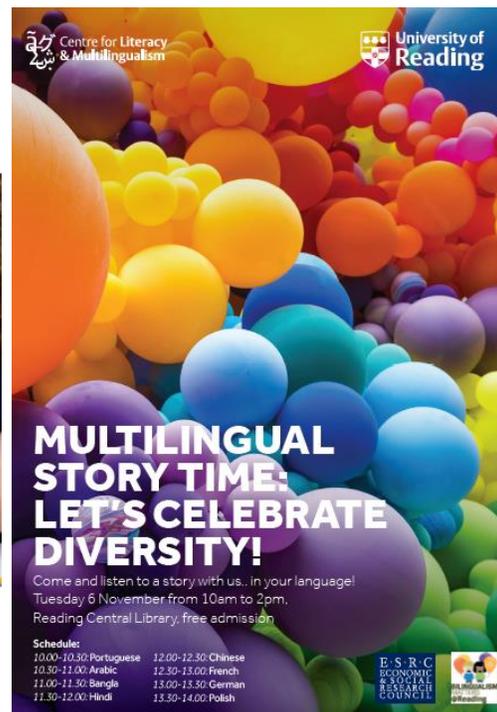
Places are limited and open to Wokingham Borough Council Tax Payers only.  
To book, or for more information, please contact Wokingham Direct on (0118) 608 3002 or email [trise@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:trise@wokingham.gov.uk)

Strengthening families through positive parenting



## Volunteers urgently needed to help a child find the fun in reading

Tel: 0118 951 1336  
Email: [abctoread@btconnect.com](mailto:abctoread@btconnect.com)  
[www.abctoread.org.uk](http://www.abctoread.org.uk)

Centre for Literacy & Multilingualism  
University of Reading

**MULTILINGUAL STORY TIME: LET'S CELEBRATE DIVERSITY!**

Come and listen to a story with us... in your language!  
Tuesday 6 November from 10am to 2pm.  
Reading Central Library, free admission

**Schedules:**

10.00-10.30 Portuguese	12.00-12.30 Chinese
10.30-11.00 Arabic	12.30-13.00 French
11.00-11.30 Bangla	13.00-13.30 German
11.30-12.00 Hindi	13.30-14.00 Polish

E.S.R.C. ECONOMIC & SOCIAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

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Should you have any concerns please speak to Mrs J M Taylor, Designated Child Protection Officer.

## English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)



These courses will introduce you to the everyday use of English.

The courses will be designed around your needs for example things like how to fill in a form, how to ask for help, make a polite complaint or how to chat with friends.

The courses are very practical with lots of opportunities to speak and write in English.

We have ongoing courses running in term time:

Tuesdays from 10am-12 noon in Wokingham town centre  
Thursdays from 9:30am-11:30am In Earley

Starting November 2018: Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am in Woodley

Free, subsidised places available for learners who aren't working or on a low income. Please ask for details on costs.

To find out more, and to check your eligibility or to book a place call 0118 974 3797 or e-mail: [adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk)



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## Important information about this course

### Entry requirements for the course

To access this course you will need to be over 19 or older as of 31st August 2018, be a citizen of the EEA and have been resident in the EEA at least 3 years (NB a number of exemptions also apply, if you are not an EEA citizen please contact us to check your eligibility).

### If you have additional learning needs

You can discuss this with your tutor ideally before the course or on the first day so that they can work with you to identify what additional support you need. You can also identify your needs on your application form in advance.

### How to apply

Places must be booked in advance. Please contact the Adult and Community Learning team for an application form via 0118 934 3797 or [adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk)

### What can I expect to get out of the course

This course is tailored to meet learner's needs. It will cover basic elements of spoken, written or reading English.

### What can I do after the course had finished?

- Continue onto another short ESOL course
- Enrol on an Accredited ESOL Entry Level course run by Bracknell and Wokingham College
- Enrol on an Employability or work related course
- Apply for work /training or volunteering opportunities

### Concessions and free places

Free subsidised places are available to those claiming income or job seeking support, or on a low income. Please talk to us if you would like to see if you are eligible.

### How to Pay

Please call Wokingham Borough Council's Adult Education team (Mon-Fri 10-4) on 0118 974 3797 pay by debit card over the phone or to discuss methods of payment after you have attended the first session.

## Food Safety & Hygiene Course

This two session course is for people who already have some experience of food hygiene, perhaps people who are already volunteering in community projects or who have worked in catering previously and looking to get back into work.

The sessions will include some teaching on food hygiene and food safety, and completing an online exam to gain the Food Safety and Hygiene qualification – with the support of our tutor.



10am –12.30pm,  
29th November and 6th December  
Wokingham Library  
£15

Free places available to people on job seeking benefits.

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Free subsidised places are available to those claiming income or job seeking support. Concessionary rates are discretionary and may be available for carers, care-leavers, those claiming Working Tax Credit or people referred by a Wokingham support service (e.g. Social Care). Please talk to us if you would like to see if you are eligible.

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