

St Paul's C of E Junior School



Dear Parents,

We had a total of 350 appointments for this week's Parent Consultations, giving us an opportunity to celebrate the children's progress and achievements with you. The children have worked very hard this year and should be proud of all they have achieved.

This afternoon the choir visited Westoak Care Home in Murray Road, to sing to the residents and staff. The children were in good voice and gave a splendid performance. The residents were sorry to see the children leave at the end of the concert. As always, the children were wonderful ambassadors for St Paul's. Special thanks to Miss Brown for rehearsing the children and preparing them so well for the performance.

Mrs Taylor
Headteacher

Upcoming Events

June 17 – Anxiety Workshop for Parents, 7.00-8.30pm

June 21 – 3F Class Assembly, 9.15am

June 26 – New Parents' Meeting for Year 3 Entrants, 9.15am

June 28 – 3G Class Assembly, 9.15am

July 3 & 4 – Year 6 Production, 7.30pm

Preparing Your Child for Secondary School Parents' Workshop, Tuesday 25th June at 6.30pm

Starting secondary school can be both exciting and a little bit daunting for both pupils and their parents. Giving children the confidence to make this step is crucial to their success. On Tuesday 25th June at 6.30pm we will be running a Preparing Your Child for Secondary School Workshop. Here Year 6 parents will have an opportunity to learn practical tips and strategies to make the process as easy and stress free as possible. The meeting will be held in the hall and any Year 6 parents attending should enter via Murray Road. Parking will be available on the playground from 6.15pm onwards.

For Y6 parents who are unable to join us but would like advice about transition, there are a wide range of resources available online:

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/what-we-do/parent-carer-resources/ready-for-secondaryhigh-school.aspx>

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/learning-disabilities/our-work/employment-education/moving-on-to-secondary-school>

<https://www.tinies.com/our-favourites/transition-from-primary-to-secondary-school.html>

<https://www.teachertoolkit.co.uk/2017/07/10/transitionforparents/>

Safeguarding

Assessing if a film, TV programme or game is suitable for your child can be difficult. The National Online Safety Centre has brought out an [age rating guide](#) for parents which contains helpful guidance as to how to search titles and check ratings.



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Term Time Holidays

Along with the other schools in the Wokingham Town West Cluster (Bearwood Primary, Emmbrook Infant, Emmbrook Junior, Hawthorns Primary, St Paul's C of E Junior, Walter Infant and Winnersh Primary), we do not authorise term time holidays. If a child is absent from school for any reason, including a holiday, we still need to be informed. Any unexplained absences remain unauthorised until we receive notification.

If planning a holiday, we would ask that you book for a time outside of the 190 days per year that the children are required to attend school.

Run the World



It was a good week for run the world last week, the children ran 5,597 laps of the playground which is the equivalent of 1,400 miles.

Our journey across South America continues as we travel from Panama City to Belmopan in Belize.

Congratulations to 5K for running the most laps (1250) and to Year 4 for running the most laps across the week (1,737) – well done! Both were also winners last week.

to show our running journey.

The world map on the PE and Games noticeboard is updated every week

Mrs V Judd, PE & Games Assistant

Sporting News

Football – Development Cup at Madejski Stadium

The tournament was originally postponed due to the snow in February so it was great to finally be able to play. We had two very strong teams playing. There were 28 schools taking part with a total of 36 teams. The first team were in a particularly tough group and finished in 5th place. The second team finished second in their group and then progressed to the semi-finals losing to the eventual tournament winner. The boys all played extremely well and we were very proud of them. Players of the tournament for the first team were Ciaran Collins and Alex McGuire. Player of the tournament for the second team was Finley Hempson.



Mini Tennis

Congratulations to our Mini Tennis Team who played in a competition just before half term. This is the first time St Paul's have participated in the competition and none of the children knew what to expect. They played lots of games against 7 other schools. The red team did very well coming in 2nd place – well done. Our blue team unfortunately did not have the full requirement of players, so were unable to score, however we had lots of fun competing against the other schools.

QuadKids

A mixed team of 5 boys and 5 girls took part in a Quadkids competition at Palmer Park last Monday. The weather was cold and rainy but that didn't stop all the children having a fantastic time representing the school. All the athletes had to run a 75m sprint and a 600m race as well as throwing a vortex howler and completing a standing long jump. There were 24 schools competing over two sessions one in the morning and the other in the afternoon session. Therefore we had to wait a couple of days to find out the results. St Paul's continues to dominate in the School Games athletics competitions with a strong performance and bringing back silver medals. They have therefore, qualified as the Wokingham representatives for the Berkshire School Games Finals at the end of the month. Congratulations to all the children who took part!

Wokingham Winter Carnival

Although we are only in June, the Wokingham Winter Carnival organisers have asked us to let parents know that this year they have introduced a children's art competition based around a space theme. It is aimed at two age groups: ages 5-8 years and ages 9-11 years. The overall winning picture will appear on the front page of the programme and the winner from each category will have the chance to ride on Santa's train in the Parade. The closing date for the entries is 14th September 2019 and full details of the competition and how to enter can be found at:

<http://www.wintercarnival.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/WWC-Childrens-Art-competition2019.pdf>

Space Chase 2019 Summer Reading Challenge – Wokingham Borough Libraries

Organised by charity The Reading Agency (www.readingagency.org.uk) and the UK public library network the Summer Reading Challenge is the UK's biggest annual reading promotion for children aged 4 to 11. Last year, in Wokingham Borough, 3000 children took part.

The Summer Reading Challenge combines FREE access to books with fun, creative activities in the library during the summer holidays. Throughout the Challenge, library staff and young volunteers support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading,

How the Challenge works

- Children sign up at their local library and receive a Space Chase collector folder on their return visit
- Children borrow and read at least six library books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers to complete their folder and incentives along the way
- Library staff and young volunteers are on hand to advise and run family-friendly activities
- Children who complete the Summer Reading Challenge are presented with a certificate and a medal

For other children's events that are taking place throughout the summer, please see the flyer below.

Adult Education Classes

Wokingham Borough Council are running a new Helping your child with English courses twice this half term – in Wokingham and in Woodley. Full details can be found on the flyers below or on their Facebook and Twitter pages.

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Diary Dates	
Monday 17 June	Anxiety Workshop for Parents: 7.00-8.30pm (must be pre-booked)
Friday 21 June	3F Class Assembly: 9.15am
Wednesday 26 June	New Parents' Meeting for Year 3 Entrants: 9.15am
Friday 28 June	3G Class Assembly: 9.15am
Wednesday 3 July	Year 6 Production: 7.30pm
Thursday 4 July	Year 6 Production: 7.30pm
Thursday 4 July	Year 5 Secondary School Experience Day – Holt and Forest Schools
Thursday 4 July	Violin Concert for Violinists' Parents: 2.30pm
Saturday 13 July	PTA Summer Fair: 11.00-2.00pm
Monday 15 July	iRock Concert for Band Member Parents: 2.30pm
Friday 19 July	Year 6 Leavers' Service, St Paul's Church: 11.00am – Year 6 Parents Invited
Friday 19 July	END OF TERM: 2.00pm Early Finish

Helping your child with English



Refresh your own English skills while gaining confidence in how to support your child with their literacy learning at home.

Gain an understanding of how English is taught in schools today. This course is ideal for parents of KS1 children who are looking to encourage their children's English learning at home.

Wednesdays, 19th June—17th July 2019
10am—12 noon, Wokingham Library
or
Mondays, 17th June—15th July 2019
10am-12 noon, Oakwood Centre, Woodley

This five week course starts with a free taster session.

Please book a place by calling 0118 974 3797 or e-mail: adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk








Important information about this course

Entry requirements for the course

To access this course you will need to be 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). You should be able to read and write in English so that you can support children with their learning.

If you have additional learning needs

Please identify your needs on the application form ahead of the course so we can work with you to prepare any support you may need. You can also discuss any needs with your tutor on the first session.

How to apply

Places must be booked in advance. Please contact the Adult Education team for an application form via 0118 974 3797 or adulteducation@wokingham.gov.uk

What can I expect to get out of the course

- Gain a refresher on key methods used to learn English
- Ideas for using English in everyday situations at home
- Understand the latest ways English is taught in schools and how you can support your child with their learning up to their SATS

What can I do after the course has finished?

- Practice the skills you've learnt with your children
- Enrol on an Accredited English or maths course
- Enrol on other family learning courses

Concessions and free places

Free subsidised places are available to those claiming job seeking benefits.. Please talk to us if you would like to see if you are eligible.

How to Pay

Attend the Taster session and decide if you would like to complete the full course. Please call Wokingham Borough Council's Adult Education team (Mon-Fri 10-4) on 0118 974 3797 after the taster session to pay by debit card over the phone.

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The Reading Agency and Libraries Present

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Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Wokingham Library Children's Events Summer 2019

Get Arty - Arts and crafts fun on for children aged 4 to 10 years old. Places must be booked, £1.50 charge
 Friday July 26 and August 30 10.30am to 11.30am

Space Chase Volunteer Activity Sessions - Talk about your Summer Reading Challenge books and fun activities with our Summer Reading Challenge Volunteers. Just drop in! Donations welcome.
 Every Monday July 29, August 5, 12, 19 2pm to 3.45pm
 Every Wednesday July 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28 10.30am to 12.15pm

Sand Art - Just drop in and create a sand art picture with Kids See Happy with Maddi. £4 per picture.
 For children aged 4 to 11 years old.
 Friday August 2 and 23 10.30am to 12.30pm

MAD Science Rocketeers Workshop - Come and learn all about rockets! Then create your own and get them ready for launch. Family friendly workshop with MAD science for children aged 8 to 11 years old. Unlimited space, places must be booked, £5 charge.
 Monday August 5 11.30am to 12.30pm

Space Chase with Fred in the Shed - Fred in the Shed's magic show, his show is fast paced and a mixture of light-hearted fun and comedy magic fit for the whole family and best suited for 3 years old and upwards. Places must be booked, £4 per child.
 Friday August 9 10.30am to 11.30am

Recycle-Rocket - Create a rocket or UFO from recyclable items, with an opportunity to learn about recycling as you create. Places must be booked, £2 charge, for children aged 5 to 12 years old.
 Tuesday August 13 10.30am to 11.30am

Handwriting Zoo - The animals guide the children through their perfect letter formation, the giraffe's tall necks help with the letter 'h' and the pig's curly tails help with the letter 'c'. Free session with Explore Learning, for children aged 4 to 6 years old. Places must be booked.
 Tuesday August 20 9.30am to 10.30am

Word Problems - This workshop will help children tackle these worded maths problems to become fearless problem solvers. Free session with Explore Learning, for children aged 9 to 11 years old. Places must be booked.
 Tuesday August 20 10.45am to 11.45am

For more information or to book a place, please call Wokingham Library on 0118 978 1368



spacechase.org.uk




Joel Park Residents' Association

Party in Joel Park, Wokingham (Off Jubilee Avenue)

Sunday 30th June 2019
2pm until late

All welcome, please bring your own food, drink, BBQ and seating and celebrate our community and socialise with others.

Children's sports and games will be included

Poster Design: Ian Hydon




Wokingham Bikeathon
 Sunday 30th June 2019

Two cycle routes 15 and 35 miles

Starts and finishes at Cantley Park, Wokingham

All ages and abilities welcome

Raise funds for good causes or just ride for fun



Register at www.wokinghambikeathon.co.uk
 Find us on  @WokinghamBikeathon

Main sponsor  Rodger Duckworth Physiotherapy Practice
 Winton Square, 11 Bunting Road, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 3UJ
 0118 978 6149 www.rdpht.co.uk

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