

# St Paul's C of E Junior School



Dear Parents,

Last Friday we held our Talents Assemblies, one for Y3 & Y4 and a second for Years 5 & 6. They were a great way to showcase a variety of acts, including gymnasts, musicians, singers, dancers and comedians. Thank you to all of the children who participated, we had lots of fun being your audience!

The long and sorry saga of the new automated gates at the main entrance to school is now coming to a close. The damage from a refuse lorry crashing into them last year has been fully repaired and all being well, the works will be signed off over half term and the gates operational by the time we are back to school. This completes the work to upgrade the security of our site and will significantly improve safety for pupils, parents and staff. New arrangements for access to the site come into force shortly, details of which can be found in the main body of the newsletter. Please do take a few minutes to read this important information.

Summer Term Parents' Evening is on Wednesday 13th (8.50am-11.10am) and Thursday 14th June (3.50pm-7.30pm). Online booking has now closed. If you have yet to make an appointment, please speak directly to your child's teacher.

This week the children completed their annual Pupil Questionnaire. This is a good way to capture the views of each pupil and their feedback is a crucial element of our monitoring and improvement work. The results of the survey will be shared with the children, staff and governors after half term and published on our website by the end of June.

It has been a very busy half term and the weeks have flown by. The children and staff could not have worked harder and deserve a well-earned break. School is closed to pupils on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June for INSET and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Mrs Taylor

## Upcoming Events

### June 4

**Inset Day – school closed**

### June 7

Sports Day – 9.15am-12.15pm

### June 8

5B Class Assembly – 9.15am

### June 11

Open Morning – 8.55-9.55am

## Policies

Our Governing Body met earlier this week and one of the items on the agenda was policy renewal.

The following policies have been updated and are available on our website [here](#)

- Attendance
- Accessibility (policy & plan)
- e-Safety
- Single Equality
- Data Protection
- Safeguarding & Child Protection
- Privacy Notices

**Polite reminder** - Please do not park in residents' spaces at 48 Oxford Road. This morning a resident was unable to park her car on returning from a night shift. Sadly a parent of either Walter or St Paul's refused to vacate the space, leaving the resident with nowhere to park outside her own home. Behaviour such as this reflects very badly on our schools.

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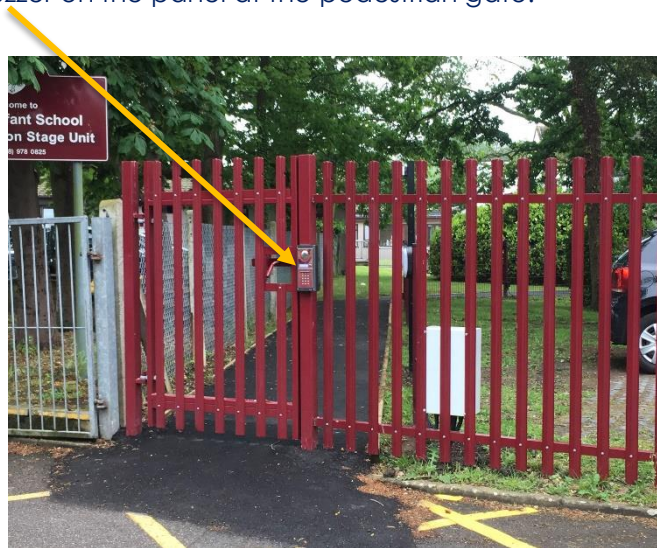
## Access to the school site

The car park is extremely congested with cars often double parking and pedestrians having to weave in and out of moving vehicles. **To ensure the safety of pupils, parents and staff, from half term onwards, there will be NO vehicular access for parents to the school site between the hours of 8.30am and 4.30 pm.**

Should you need to drop off /pick up from school during these times, please park in the spaces in the mouth of the gates. If the spaces are full, you will need to park away from school. No cars should be left in front of either the double gates to the drive of St Paul's or those into Walter car park. This is the access for emergency vehicles.

If the gates are open to let staff enter or leave, please do not tailgate and drive into the car park as you will be asked to leave your car on site until 4.30pm, when all clubs and the associated pupils and parents have safely left the site.

To enter the site, press the buzzer on the panel at the pedestrian gate.



## General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

As you will undoubtedly be aware there are new regulations concerning Data Protection coming into force from the end of May. GDPR is an update to the current Data Protection Act 1998. In practice, our data handling systems will change very little as we already treat information regarding our pupils and families with the utmost care. We recognise the sensitive nature of the information we hold, only sharing data where there is a legal requirement for us to do so, or where we have obtained the necessary consent.

GDPR requires us to update Privacy Notices for pupils, parents, staff, governors and volunteers and we have also reviewed and updated our Data Protection Policy to reflect the new regulations. All of this information is available on our website [here](#). Although we do very little marketing for companies that offer products we think will be of interest to parents, we will no longer be providing this type of information. As the PTA are a separate entity to the school, they will provide their own privacy notice.

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Please be aware that more guidance is becoming available all the time and we will of course keep you informed of any further changes as they arise.

## **Sports Day Reminder**

Weather permitting, Sports Day is scheduled for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

The children will need:

- House colour t-shirts if possible;
- Water bottles, sunhat - sun cream should be applied before coming to school;
- A plastic bin liner to sit on;
- A packed lunch for a post Sports' Day picnic. *The kitchen will provide packed lunches ordered before the deadline of 25<sup>th</sup> May.*

## **Medical Appointments**

An increasing number of children are being taken out of school during the day for medical appointments. We urge parents to make appointments outside of school hours wherever possible. Non-emergency appointments such as haircuts and wanting to get ahead of holiday traffic, will be unauthorised.

## **Wokingham Cricket League – Match 1**

St. Paul's played Robert Piggott, Wargrave in our first cricket match of the season. The team (Elliot, Jaidon, Nathan, Sam, Bharat, Jack, Spencer, Leon, Natalie and Olivia) played very well, despite narrowly losing to Piggott. Man of the match was Nathan who scored 12 off 2 overs.

## **Hair Styles**

Hair styles should be kept simple and appropriate for a work environment. Hair should be neat and tidy and cut appropriately for school. Long hair must be tied back with simple accessories. We politely request that razored or tram line styles are saved for the summer holidays.

## **Lost Property**

Mrs Coe and our fabulous House Captains did a sterling job today of reuniting named items of lost property to its rightful owners. The container will be emptied over half term and so if you do think that you have any items there, they will need to be collected at the end of school. Any remaining items will be disposed of over half-term and the children have been reminded to check the box on the way out of school.

## **Adult and Community Learning Courses**

Please see below details of Adult and Community Learning courses by Wokingham Borough Council. Places must be booked in advance via contacting the Adult Education team for an application form on 0118 974 3797 or [lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk). Further details will be on their course listing online, and Facebook and Twitter pages by the middle of next week at the following links:

<https://sites.google.com/prod/view/wokingham-acl>

<https://www.facebook.com/AdultandCommunityLearningWokingham/>

<https://twitter.com/wbcac1>

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<b>Diary Dates</b>	
Monday 28th-Friday 31st May	HALF TERM
Monday 4th June	INSET DAY : SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 5th June	4B Local Area Trail
Wednesday 6th June	4P Local Area Trail
Thursday 7th June	Sports Day: 9.15am-12.15pm
Friday 8th June	4M Local Area Trail
Friday 8th June	5B Class Assembly: 9.15am
Monday 11th June	Open Morning: 8.55-9.55am
Wednesday 13th June	Parents' Evening /Morning Session: 8.50-11.10am
Thursday 14th June	Parents' Evening: 3.50-7.30pm
Friday 22nd June	5K Class Assembly: 9.15am
Saturday 23rd June	St Paul's PTA Summer Fair: 11.30am – 1.30pm
Wednesday 27th June	Year 3 New Parents' Afternoon: 2.00-3.00pm
Wednesday 27th June	Bohunt, Emmbrook, Holt and St Crispin's Induction Day
Thursday 28th June	St Crispin's Induction Day 2
Monday 2nd July	Year 3 Victorian Day
Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th July	Ranelagh Induction Day
Monday 23rd July	Year 6 Leavers' Disco: 6.15-7.45pm
Tuesday 24th July	END OF TERM – 2.00PM FINISH

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## Introduction to being a Teaching Assistant course

Learn about the roles and responsibilities of a teaching assistant, as well as gaining an understanding of other, non-teaching roles in schools. Gain confidence in applying to roles in schools and employability skills.

Our course begins with a free taster session and run from:

**Wednesday 6th June to 11th July from 10am-12 noon**  
At Wokingham Library, Denmark Street, RG40 2BB

Cost: £45, Concession rate: £30, free places are available for people on job seeking benefits – please get in touch to discuss

To book a place call **0118 974 3797** or e-mail [lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk) or apply online via: <http://bit.do/waclform>



## Applying for Jobs and Completing Application forms

**Free 2 hour interactive course for people looking to change jobs or find employment. The course aims to help you:**

- Apply for jobs online
- Write a personal statement
- Identify transferable skills and qualities
- Improve written communication and presentation skills
- Research a company
- Write a cover letter or email using key words
- Prepare for telephone tests / online tools

**12.30-2.30pm Wednesday 27 June 2018**  
**Ambleside Centre, Woodley**

This course will run in other venues as well— please get in touch to be sent other dates!

Please book in advance via <http://bit.do/waclform> or call **01189743797** or email: [lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:lifelonglearning@wokingham.gov.uk)



## Interview Skills Workshop

**FREE!**

**FREE 3 hour interactive course for people looking to develop their**

**Interview skills to make the right impression and get the job. The course will include:**

- How to prepare for interview (how to research the company and the job role)
- How to demonstrate your skills and qualities during the interview
- Exploring different types of interviews – competency, skills, technical or experience based interviews as well as telephone/video call interviews
- How to ask questions about the role and the company

**9.30am —12 noon Wednesday 20 June 2018**  
**Ambleside Centre, Woodley**

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## 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, 5th and 12th June 2018**  
**Wokingham Library**  
**£15**

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