



Newsletter



17th January 2025

SCHOOL VALUES

Spring Term 1—LOVE

WHOLE SCHOOL

IMPORTANT—LUNCH ORDERS

LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY NO LATER THAN TUESDAY AT MIDNIGHT FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK'S REQUIREMENTS. NO ORDERS CAN BE TAKEN AFTER THIS TIME.

MILK REMINDER—DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR MILK WITH COOL MILK AT www.coolmilk.co.uk IF YOU WISH YOUR CHILD TO RECEIVE MILK.

NUT FREE—PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL. PLEASE SUPPORT US WITH THIS BY ENSURING YOU DO NOT SEND ANY PRODUCTS CONTAINING NUTES INCLUDING NUTELLA, NUTTY CEREAL BARS AND PEANUT BUTTER IN CHILDRENS LUNCH BOXES.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Cool Milk



Year 5 Residential Trip to The Pioneer Centre

Year 5 had an amazing three-day trip to the Pioneer Centre near Cleobury Mortimer in Shropshire. The activities that the children enjoyed included climbing, abseiling, caving, fencing, archery, soft play and singing around a campfire under the stars.

Perhaps a favourite thrill the zip-wire – some of the braver teachers enjoyed this too! It was an absolute delight to see children enjoying new experiences – some of which required a certain amount of courage – and to hear them encouraging each other.

These trips give children quality time with friends too, and evening games and chats were great fun. We were delighted because the children did the school proud with their fantastic behaviour and excellent listening skills. Staff from the centre commended us for this, which is always extremely gratifying.

We look forward to repeating the experience!



Parent & Carers Consultation Meeting/Telephone Appointment Booking

- Monday 3rd February 2025 between 3.30pm and 7.00pm (All except RT)
- Tuesday 4th February 2025 between 3.30pm and 5.30pm (RT ONLY)
- Wednesday 5th February 2025 between 3.30pm and 5.30pm (All)

Please book online using School Cloud <https://stpaulshereford.schoolcloud.co.uk>



Rags 2 Riches

If you are having a sort out for the New Year then the next collection for Rags 2 Riches is on Thursday 6th February 2025.

Bags and flyers will be sent home in the coming weeks.



Enrichment Week

Reception and Year 1 enjoyed a wonderful enrichment week.

The children have learnt a lot about the various people who help us in our community, play outdoors in nature, enjoyed outdoor Maths and had fun with cooking activities.

One highlight of the week was the archery session, where the children had the opportunity to learn the proper techniques of loading the bow, aiming, and shooting at targets. We were incredibly impressed by the resilience and determination displayed by the children, as mastering this skill required practice and perseverance.

The children also participated in a street dance session, where they learnt the choreography and showcased their impressive moves.

We were honoured to have a visit from Dr. Collins, a local GP, who provided the children with an insightful look into her role. The children were captivated by the opportunity to explore Dr. Collins' medical bag and ask a multitude of questions about her work.



Years 2, 3 & 4

We had an amazing time this week, doing lots of activities such as cooking, fencing, maths games and team building. Wise Up Company came in and gave us lots of challenges that we needed to solve to find Kevin the Llama. We had to work as a team to complete the challenge and then we were given clues. With amazing teamwork, we were able to save Kevin!

Year 2 have also enjoyed a visit from the mountain rescue team, teaching us how to keep safe outdoors and showing us their cool kit!

Year 3 are looking and forward to going to React gymnastics this afternoon and are hoping to learn some new skills.

Year 4 were super excited about the mysterious egg they found in the playground!

We have had the best week ever!!!





Stembotics

The children absolutely loved learning about robotics through lego-building! They had loads of lego pieces and a 'brain'. They built a robot out of lego and then coded the robot, using an app on the ipad. They could then get the lego robot to move around mats on the floor. This was described as "absolutely awesome" by one pupil and "great fun" by another.

Years 5 and 6

Year 5 and 6 have enjoyed a host of other activities this week. Streetdance was popular, with fabulous music choices and dancing that one pupil said "really got the heartrate going!" We are so fortunate to have such extensive grounds and the children also enjoyed exploring the field, trees, hedges and garden behind the Victorian School to find leaves, twigs and branches which they made into magical hangings for the trees.

Cookery has been very popular this week, and in years 5 and 6, this meant apple crumble and spaghetti bolnaisse. Year 6 children learned two different chopping methods: the bridge and the claw technique.

Another highlight in year 6 has been a visit from a local GP, who spoke about medicine, showed pictures, answered questions and really inspired the children. One described the visit as "really interesting" and another is absolutely determined to become herself now.

There has been a mysterious egg on the grounds this week – The Authorities have been informed but have yet to remove it... In Year 5, the children have been writing newspaper reports about this egg-stremely unusual occurrence! Year 6 were inspired to write formal emails about it.

Friday will bring even more magic our way with a game of Quidditch... let's hope we don't lose too many children to Hogwarts!



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been thinking about big questions in worship and our classes.

Big questions are often the questions that we ask that don't have an easy answer:

What colour is happiness?
Is being a good friend easy?
Does more mean happier?

As a school we encourage children to think about questions daily. We think about our learning, we think about feelings, we think about God, we think an awful lot!

We want to encourage our children at St Pauls...

To think beyond the obvious.

To think of as many possibilities as they can, before deciding upon the best or most appropriate answer.

To increase their understanding of a topic

To promote critical thinking

To encourage children to articulate their thoughts

Have the confidence to debate and discuss with others

To enjoy discussion while appreciating others contributions and ideas

Each month we will be sending a special Big Question home with the children to hopefully encourage the children to practice chatting with you at home and hearing different points of view and opinions.

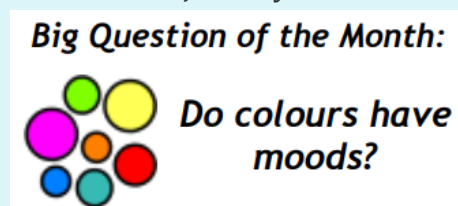
We will then chat to the children in school about the question too, recording thoughts and feelings in our journals.

We find that the pupils really enjoy this chance to talk/share/think /debate and using their reasoning skills.

Above all, it helps them to learn to 'think outside of the box' and see 'the bigger picture' while appreciating others opinions.

We look forward to hearing your child's thoughts about our big questions.

January:



Kind Regards,

Mrs Vautier-Thomas

CLUBS & TUITION

- All clubs are bookable on School Cloud, please note that the system is updated each term detailing changes to clubs, the group they are applicable to and the dates they run
- If you are not able to view a club or an activity then this may mean the club is either full or is only applicable to certain pupils/groups
- If your child decides they no longer wish to continue with a club/activity or you would like to add them to a Waiting List then please contact the School Office by emailing admin@st-pauls.hereford.sch.uk

Please note that the After School Clubs have now started for the Spring Term unless advised otherwise. All letters from External providers have also been sent and are bookable direct through the tutors.

*****CHESS CLUB WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2025, PLEASE NOTE THIS IS ONLY CURRENTLY OPEN TO EXISTING MEMBERS AS THE PUPILS ARE GETTING READY FOR A CHESS TOURNAMENT*****

SWIMMING

Spring Term 1

Year 4S – Fridays 10.30am-11.00am (10th, 17th, 24th & 31st Jan, 7th & 14th Feb 2025) x 6 weeks

Year 4A- Mondays 10.30am – 11.00am (13th, 20th & 27th Jan, 3rd & 10th Feb 2025) x 5 weeks

*****NEXT WEEK*****

Spring Term 2

Year 1R—Tuesdays 10.30am-11.00am (25th Feb, 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th Mar and 1st Apr 2025) x 6 weeks

Year 1P—Fridays 10.30am-11.00am (28th Feb, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th Mar and 4th Apr 2025) x 6 weeks

*****PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS NOW AVAILABLE TO BOOK AND PAY ONLINE VIA PARENT PAY. *****

TRIPS & EVENTS

Residential Trips for 2025

Wed 11th to Thu 12th June 2025—Year 6 Residential Trip to London

*****Please ensure that all consents/permissions are provided online using Parent Pay*****

GENERAL REMINDERS

School/Parent Portals

Please note the following applications are available for all parents/guardians to use. If you have not used and require details for any of these additional services please contact the Admin Team.

Parent Pay To book hot meals, receive emails, Weekly Newsletter, to consent and pay for trips & events

Arbor Parent Portal To update pupil/guardian data such as change of address, emergency contacts etc

Please ensure your emergency contact details are up to date.

School Cloud (<https://stpaulshereford.schoolcloud.co.uk>)

To book Parents Evening Appointments, clubs and tuition groups

Instagram <https://www.stpaulsprimary.com/> to see daily updates from the School



WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

6 MARCH 2025

Reading Fair

Thursday 6th March 2025



To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 6th March, we will be holding a Reading Fair for our children to enjoy during the school day.

Children will be invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or author and will have the opportunity to attend the Reading Fair playing games that are all reading and book themed.

We then use all money raised from the fair to buy new books for the children in classes and create fun and interactive reading areas such as our libraries and reading sheds.

In preparation for this years Reading Fair we would like to hold two wear your own clothes days:

Non-Uniform Day Friday 31st January

Come to school in your own clothes in exchange for a new or nearly new pre-loved children's book in good condition.

Donated books will be used as prizes for our book tombola.

Non-Uniform Day Friday 14th February

Come to school in your own clothes in exchange for a nearly new pre-loved cuddly toy in good condition.

Donated soft toys will be used as prizes in our teddy bears picnic game.



A flyer with the names and prices of games will be sent home closer to the event.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY/TERM DATES

Date	Event	Further details
Thursday 23rd January 2025	Class 2R Assembly	***CHANGE TO ORIGINAL DATE***
Thursday 30th January 2025	Class 3V Assembly	Details to Follow
Friday 31st January 2025	Non-Uniform Day	Own clothes—in exchange for a book
Monday 3rd February 2025	Parent Consultations	3.30pm-7.00pm
Tuesday 4th February 2025	Parent Consultations	3.30pm-5.30pm (RT ONLY)
Tuesday 4th February 2025	School Nurse Drop-In	9.30am-11.30am
Wednesday 5th February 2025	Parent Consultations	3.30pm-5.30pm
Thursday 6th February 2025	Rags 2 Riches	Collection from the Studio Door at 9.30am
Thursday 13th February 2025	Year 1 Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Friday 14th February 2025	Non-Uniform Day	Own clothes—in exchange for a cuddly toy
Mon 17th—Fri 21st February 2025	Half Term Break	School Closed
Tuesday 25th February 2025	Year 3 Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Tuesday 4th March 2025	Year 4 Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Thursday 6th March 2025	World Book Day/ Reading Fair	Come to school as your favourite book character
Thursday 13th March 2025	Year 5 Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Tuesday 18th March 2025	Year 6 Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Thursday 20th March 2025	RT Class Assembly	Details to Follow
Thursday 27th March 2025	4S Class Assembly	Details to Follow
Tuesday 1st April 2025	Year 2 Workshop	Details to Follow
Thursday 3rd April 2025	RB Class Assembly	Details to Follow
Tuesday 8th April 2025	Reception Parent Workshop	Details to Follow
Thursday 10th April 2025	3HC Class Assembly	***CHANGE TO ORIGINAL DATE***
Friday 11th April 2025	Last Day of Term	End of Spring Term
Mon 14th-Fri 25th April 2025	Easter Break	School Closed
Monday 28th April 2025	Return to School	Start of Summer Term

TERM DATES

2024-2025 <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/st-pauls-cofe-primary-school-hereford/UploadedDocument/cf289f71-e1ec-41d9-bdc2-3d4ce441f7ce/term-dates-for-the-school-year-2024-2025.pdf>

2025-2026 <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/st-pauls-cofe-primary-school-hereford/UploadedDocument/ff693668-c5d4-4978-96c5-31397497e072/term-dates-for-the-school-year-2025.pdf>

2026-2027 <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/st-pauls-cofe-primary-school-hereford/UploadedDocument/7aa51cd6-7210-401e-bee5-97878cdebef29/term-dates-2026-2027.pdf>

2027-2028 <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/st-pauls-cofe-primary-school-hereford/UploadedDocument/18678006-d727-443b-8cae-5d978eb468a7/term-dates-for-the-school-years-2027.pdf>

NEURODEVELOPMENTAL

DYSLEXIA

PINS - PROJECT
FOR INCLUSION IN
SCHOOLS

JOIN US FOR A

**CHAT ABOUT
INCLUSION**

Date & Time Below

*Monday 20th January
NEXT WEEK
from 9.00am in the studio*

Neurodiversity celebrates cognitive differences like dyslexia, ADHD, and autism as strengths, showcasing unique talents and perspectives. Join us in discussing your Childs Journey in a warm and friendly group and lets make their time at school inclusive and not exclusive

AUTISM

DYSCALCULIA

ADHD

DIVERSE INTELLECT

DEVELOPMENTAL COORDINATION DISORDER

ABC