

# St Paul's CE Primary School – Newsletter April 2022

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# Update from Miss Lee...

We seem to have a glimmer of Spring in the air, which always brings a surge of energy into school. It has been great to see the start of other new beginnings this term, including the return of face to face parents' evenings and a variety of parental workshops, thank you to all those who attended. We have also seen pupils experiencing a variety of trips across school enhancing many elements of our curriculum and bringing learning to life.

After the holidays we will see a number of national assessments re-introduced into school, please keep an eye out for emails from your child's team leader. At St Paul's we prioritise wellbeing and mental health and will support all pupils during any assessments, drawing on all the resilience work we have been focussing on to encourage 'A can do approach'.

I'd like to wish everyone a 'Happy Easter' and I look forward to seeing St Paul's pupils return in April rested and ready to embrace their final term of the year.

#### Dates for Your Diary

- School Closes for the Easter holidays on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 3.15pm and re-opens on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April. Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April school is closed for Bank Holidav.
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May School closed for bank holiday
- Year 6 SATs Week Beginning Monday 9th May •
- Year 6 trip to Ghyll Head –Monday 16th Mav • Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May
- School Closes for Half term on Friday 27th May at 3.15pm and reopens on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

## British Science Week 2022

To celebrate British Science Week we had a visit from Amazelab and Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute. The pupils had the opportunity to part take in scientific enquiry and find out how this linked to the work of our visiting scientists. We also held a poster competition based on the theme of growth. There were so many fantastic entries some of which are on display near the school hall.



#### Eco News- School Milk

As we continue on our journey to gain an Eco Green Flag Award we have been thinking about how we can reduce single use plastic in school. We have decided to stop offering cartons of milk to children and instead to provide the option of milk from a jug at lunch time. This will stop 22,040 cartons going into landfill every school year, which as a school we think is brilliant! We hope you do to!

# **PTA News**



All parents are welcome to get involved with the Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Meet other parents and help with social and fundraising events. No obligation - just do as much or as little as you want! Contact the office for more details.

Coming up: Music Quiz - Friday 6 May. Tickets will go on sale after Easter.

Hot off the press: The summer fair will be going ahead in July! If you're having a clear out, please keep hold of any good quality toys and books to donate for the toy sale.

Thanks to everyone who has helped with our events so far this year. Looking forward to a busy summer term!

# <u>'Being Open About Mental Health'</u>

At St Paul's we often talk about the importance of the 5 ways to wellbeing: Connecting with others, keeping active, taking notice, learning and being kind/ giving. The children came up with lots of ideas of how we would make sure that we achieved all the different aspects of wellbeing in our school day. The children led a Mental Health Awareness open day at the beginning of March to share all their hard work on this with parents. We received lots of positive feedback from parents congratulating on their 'enthusiasm', 'confidence' and for being very 'knowledgeable'. All the children should be extremely proud of themselves.

EY1 have enjoyed looking out for signs of spring by investigating the nature around the playground. *Article 28 – The right to an education* 



# Year 3/4 Trip to Manchester

Year 3/4 children all enjoyed a day out in Manchester. This was part of their topic on Manchester. They visited The Manchester Cathedral, John Rylands Library and Central Library. They all had a great day.



# World Book Day 2022





Reverend Cate came into school and delivered an assembly all about Easter. The Worship Leader's helped to plan and deliver this assembly. *Article 29 – The right to develop talents and abilities* 



Miss Fleet's English class went to the library today where we learnt all about the library books and the dewey system. The children borrowed 2 books each and got stickers and a free book! They had a great time and can't wait to go back.



Children in Year 3/4 all had the opportunity to take part in a Yoga Workshop. They found it very relaxing. *Article 31 - the right to relax* 



Miss Saleem's English class visited Withington Library and all had the opportunity to have library card make. They enjoyed learning about all of the services that the library provides and some of the children took a book out too.



Mrs Savio and the catering team are preparing a new school menu for the Summer term. We will now be serving a Halal option alongside our current meat and vegetarion options. Have a look at the new menus on our school website here...

https://www.stpaulswithington.co.uk/pag e/school-menu/53926

Article 24 – The right to clean water, nutritious food and safe environment