



St Paul's Year 5 and 6 Newsletter



November 2017

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back! We hope you had a well-earned break and are ready for another exciting and busy half term.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Parents' Evening and we hope you enjoyed looking at the fantastic work your children have been completing so far this year.

If you have any additional queries, please contact the office.

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Our Learning This Term:

Please see the Curriculum Overview for more details.

In Topic this half term, we will continue to look at the Second World War and the effects rationing had on British meal times. We will also be looking briefly at the life of Anne Frank, which links to our English learning about War Diaries. Later in the term, we will begin to compare London and Berlin for our geography module and will create a Tourist brochure about Berlin. In Computing, both Year 5 and 6 will be looking at Coding.



Parent Helpers:

We heavily rely on parental support for school trips and sporting activities. Your time and help is always greatly appreciated.

Homework

As well as reading for at least 20 minutes each evening, children will be set weekly spelling, grammar and maths homework. Homework must be handed in on time.

Reading Books:

We encourage children in year 5 and 6 to read for at least 20 minutes each day. It is important that children become fluent readers both when reading to themselves and reading aloud. The children are enjoying the books from our book passports; they are especially enjoying discussing them with their friends. Please encourage your child to talk about the material they are reading and sign and comment in their reading records regularly.



Times tables:

The new curriculum has the expectation that all children should know their times tables and related division facts up to 12x12 by the end of year 4. Please continue to support your child in learning the multiplication tables. We will continue to test pupils in school and award certificates when the children achieve each stage.

PE:

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school for the start of each half term. For Indoor PE children must wear plimsolls. Trainers should be worn for outdoor PE. As it is approaching winter, we recommend that children wear tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie for PE (school colours only). Earrings must not be worn for PE. Pupils must be able to remove earrings independently.

Educational Visits:

Some children from Year 5 will be attending the Hounslow Primary Sports Day on the 14th of November at Cranford Community College. The Year 6 residential trip to Sayers Croft will be from the 20th to 24th of November.

Clothing:

Please ensure your child comes to school smartly dressed in full uniform each day. Children should always wear full school uniform for school trips unless otherwise directed by their class teacher.

Mr Lacy, Mrs McLellan and Mr Murray