



# St Paul's Friday Round Up



**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

*Welcome to our round up of news and information for the week.*

## **PTFA Christmas Discos**

Earlier this week we had our PTFA discos. Each was a great success. The children enjoyed the dancing, the food and the glow sticks. There was even a bit of snow! I want to say a huge 'thank you' to all the parents who organised and helped run the discos. These events simply don't happen without a committed group of parents. As well as all the fun, the discos raised £219.73, which will be used to the benefit of our children. Do look out for future PTFA events, volunteers are always needed and very welcome. Volunteering with the PTFA is great fun and a good way to get to know other parents in the school.

## **Pre-schoolers' 'Story and Craft' session – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 11am – 12pm**

Mrs Riley, our early years lead, will be running a fun-filled story and craft session for pre-school children on the morning of Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January (directly after the Play Café at St Paul's Church). This session is open to pre-school children (including siblings, local families and pre-schoolers childminders with pre-school children). The workshop is a great way to come and experience Primary School. The workshop is free, but spaces must be booked via email. Please send an email with the names and ages of the children and number of adults attending to: [office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk). We shall confirm and issue an admission ticket by email in the New Year. Do come and join us.

## **Mobile Phones, smart watches and other smart devices**

As I set out in the Roundup two weeks ago, from the start of Spring term 2024, pupils will not be allowed to bring mobile phones, smart watches or other interactive devices onto the school site. These items are now banned from the school site.

## **Extra-curricular clubs – Spring 2024**

The bookings process for the spring term extra-curricular clubs went live earlier this week. Some clubs are already full and others are filling fast. If you want to re-enrol or sign your child up for a club, please log in to Parentpay to secure a place. I have attached the brochure to this week's Friday Roundup.

## **Stay'n'Engage sessions – Nursery and Reception parents and children**

Next term sees the return of our 'Stay'n'Engage' sessions for parents and children in Nursery and Reception classes. These sessions are led by our sports specialist, Mr Pete Whitfield from Sports Impact. Parents and children attend the sessions together, developing core skills and helping your child develop positive relationships while becoming more confident, self-assured and physically capable. A letter with more details of the project and how to sign up was sent home earlier this week.

## **School Christmas Lunch – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

We shall be having our school Christmas lunch on Monday. Look out for pictures of this and other Christmas events on the [school website](#) and on our [Facebook page](#).

## **Christmas Parties – Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

The children in Foundation stage and Infants will have their Christmas parties on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Nursery will have their party in the morning. The other classes will have their parties

after lunch. On the day of their party, children can wear party clothes to school. Next week, in readiness for the parties, teachers will ask you to sign up to contribute to the party food. Each family is asked to make a small contribution guided by the class teacher. As we have children with allergens, we need to guide the food selection carefully. We are a nut free school. The party food contributions are brought to school on the morning of the party.

### **Christmas Parties – Years 3,4,5,6 – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

The children in Years 3,4,5 and 6 will have their Christmas parties on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. They will have their parties after lunch. On the day of their party, children can wear party clothes to school. Next week, in readiness for the parties, teachers will ask you to sign up to contribute to the party food. Each family is asked to make a small contribution guided by the class teacher. As we have children with allergens, we need to guide the food selection carefully. We are a nut free school. The party food contributions are brought to school on the morning of the party.

### **Calling all Nursery Parents – Reception Admissions close 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

All families with children in nursery need to make an application to Reception class using the eadmissions portal through the school admissions department of the local authority in which you reside. Applications can be submitted at any time, but need to be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at the latest. If you have any queries, please ask at the school office. There is further information on the [Hounslow School admissions](#) page.

### **Final Day of Autumn Term – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Early Closure 1:30pm**

The final day of the autumn term is Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. On this day the school closes for pupils from Reception to Year 6 at 1:30pm. Please note that there is no Aftercare club on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

### **First Day of the Spring Term – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

The school reopens to all pupils, after the Christmas holidays, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at the usual time.

### **Benefits Eligible Free School Meals Christmas Holiday Supermarket Vouchers**

As in previous holiday periods, the local authority are funding supermarket vouchers for Benefits Eligible Free School Meals pupils. The vouchers are sent via email from a company called Wonde. Eligible families will receive £33 via email on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

### ***Is my child eligible for Benefits Eligible Free School meals?***

Benefits eligible free school meals (BEFSM) is different from the Universal Infant Free School Meal and the mayor's Junior Free School meal programmes. As well as getting a free school meal, pupils who receive BEFSM also currently receive access to free holiday childcare clubs through the *Holiday Activities Fund (HAF)* and supermarket vouchers in holiday periods to support with the costs of meals. To receive BEFSM families **MUST** make an application. To find out if your family may be eligible and to make an application, please follow [this link](#).

### **Curriculum Enrichment Day – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Each year we have a curriculum enrichment day, supported by funds from the PTFA. On Curriculum Enrichment Day we come off the formal timetable and focus on a fun, engaging aspect of the wider curriculum. This year we shall classes N-Y3 will learn more about animals, with an animal encounter workshop and the older children will learn more about music with a junk percussion workshop. As well as the workshops, the children learn more about the subject of the day with additional class based activities.

## Menu

Next term we have a new lunch menu. Please see next week's menu below.

Week 4	Bolognese Penne Pasta <sup>1</sup> Cheesy Cajun Wedges <sup>4,7 V</sup>	Barbecue Pork Quorn Sausages <sup>1 VG</sup>	Roast Chicken & Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll <sup>1 VG</sup>	PIZZA DAY - Chicken & Pepper Pizza <sup>1,3,7,9</sup> Margherita Pizza <sup>1,3,7,9 V</sup>
20th Nov				
18th Dec	Rainbow Pasta <sup>1</sup> Cauliflower, Broccoli	Savoury Rice Seasonal Vegetables	Rustic Roast Potatoes Green Beans, Carrots	New Potatoes Sweetcorn, Peppers
1st Jan				
29th Jan	Strawberry Mousse <sup>7</sup> Mr Nourish Biscuit <sup>1</sup>	Banana Loaf <sup>1,9</sup> & Chocolate Custard <sup>7</sup> Mr Nourish Biscuit <sup>1</sup>	Fruity Cornflake Cake <sup>1,7</sup> Mr Nourish Biscuit <sup>1</sup>	Jam Swirl <sup>1</sup> Mr Nourish Biscuit <sup>1</sup> Fruit Pots, Yoghurt <sup>3,7</sup>
4th Mar	Fruit Pots	Fruit Pots	Fruit Pots, Yoghurt <sup>3,7</sup>	

## Christmas Lunch – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023

The school's annual Christmas lunch will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The menu for the lunch is below:

**NOURISH**

# CHRISTMAS MENU

*Merry Christmas!*

- Roast Turkey with Festive Trimmings <sup>(1,6)</sup>
- A Merry Roast Vegetable Loaf <sup>(VG)</sup>
- Peas, Carrots, Brussel Sprouts & Roast Potatoes
- Mr Nourish Festive Chocolate Cookie <sup>(1)</sup>
- Christmas Pudding & Custard <sup>(1,6,7)</sup>
- Fruit

Key: VG Vegetarian V Vegan

Disclaimers marked with any of the following numbers indicate the matching allergen:

Allergen codes: (1) Wheat/Gluten (2) Cereals (3) Soybeans (4) Mustard (5) Sesame (6) Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide (7) Milk (8) Fish (9) Egg (10) Peanuts (11) Molluscs (12) Celery/Celery (13) Nuts (14) Lupine (15) The Others (16) Bakery Gluten

## EXTERNAL PARTNERS

### Christmas in the Parish of Brentford

A stylized illustration of a nativity scene. In the foreground, a white silhouette of a manger with a thatched roof contains figures of Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus. To the left are several white evergreen trees. The background is a dark blue sky with a large white cross in the upper left corner and several small white stars. The overall style is simple and graphic.

## CHRISTMAS IN BRENTFORD

**Services & Events at St Paul's Church, Brentford, TW8 0PN**

**7th Dec Remembering Loved Ones / 6:30pm / St Paul's**

**14th Dec Carols in The Butts / 6:30pm / The Butts TW8 8BJ**

**16th Dec Experience Christmas / 10am-1pm / St Paul's**  
Festive activities for all the family

**17th Dec Jump in Nativity! / 10:30am / St Paul's**  
Join our all-age nativity  
**Traditional Carols by Candlelight / 6:30pm / St Paul's**

**24th Dec Holy Communion / 8:30am / St Paul's \*No 10:30am service**  
**Christmas Eve All-Age Service / 5pm / St Paul's**  
**Midnight Communion / 11:30pm / St Paul's**

**25th Dec Christmas Day Service / 10:30am / St Paul's**

Services live streamed on [YouTube.com/@PoBrentford](https://www.youtube.com/@PoBrentford)  
Full details at [parishofbrentford.org.uk](https://parishofbrentford.org.uk)  
St Paul's Church, St Paul's Road, TW8 0PN  
Phone 020 8568 7442  
Registered charity number 1128611

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+CHRISTMAS**

   

### MMR Vaccinations – Reception Parents

In the last few weeks there's been an increase in the number of measles cases in Hounslow. Measles spreads easily and can cause serious illnesses, including pneumonia and meningitis. Your child can be protected from this serious infection by receiving two doses of the MMR vaccine. I attach a letter and consent form to this Roundup, with details of the MMR vaccine, when it should be administered, how to check if your child has had it and how to get an MMR vaccine.



## Holiday Activity Fund

### HAF eligible Pupils

**SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?  
PLACES ARE LIMITED SO EARLY  
BOOKINGS ARE RECOMMENDED TO  
AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.  
SECURE YOUR CHILD'S PLACE NOW!!**

Children of all abilities from Reception to Year 6 are welcome.

# INFINITY FUN

**FUN AND ACTION PACKED WINTER HOLIDAYS CAMP**

INFINITY FUN is running a fun-packed summer activities camp led and designed by trained and experienced teachers for ALL CHILDREN during the SUMMER.

Explore your creativity with a wide range of activities, learn and make new friends whilst keeping active in a safe and relaxed environment.

**Huge doses of fun including...**

- ✓ Healthy eating across cultures
- ✓ Singing
- ✓ Dancing
- ✓ Healthy Cooking
- ✓ Arts and Crafts
- ✓ Languages
- ✓ Zumba and traditional dances
- ✓ Explore a different country everyday

**LUNCH:** Provided Vegetarian Option ONLY

**2nd January-5th January 2024**

**FREE PLACES FOR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN HOUNSLOW AVAILABLE**

What children say: "I've never done this before... Can I come back?"

What parents say: "They don't usually take art in things like that..."

**St Paul's CE Primary School**  
St Paul's Road, Brentford, TW8 0PN  
TIMES: 9.00am-2 pm

More Information and BOOKING: [Infinityfun2023@gmail.com](mailto:Infinityfun2023@gmail.com) / 07826 468841

### Other Pupils

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Early drop - off (08:30) £2.50 per day  
Late pick up (15:00 - 15:30) £5 per day (pre booking required)

More Information and BOOKING: [Infinityfun2023@gmail.com](mailto:Infinityfun2023@gmail.com) / 07826 468841

## Christmas Events at Boston Manor Park

### Christmas 2023 Events in Boston Manor Park

Thursday 21 Dec 2023

Try out our NEW BMP orienteering courses, Thurs 21 December, 11-12pm: can you find all the markers ('controls') hidden around the park and claim your reward from Boston Manor House café? Suitable for all ages and family groups, meet in front of Boston Manor House café to receive paper copies of trails (short, medium and long trails available) and claim your reward (children only) after completing the courses! FREE.

Friday 22 Dec 2023

Basketball taster sessions with SUPA, Fri 22 December 10-12pm, meet near basketball courts: Mario from local basketball club SUPA will be running drop-in taster sessions (10-11am: 5-12yos, 11-12pm: 13-17 yos) (suggested £3 donation per participant).

ECO Christmas decoration making, Fri 22 Dec, 1-2.30pm: come and make some 'green' decorations using recycled or park materials. All ages welcome. Meet at Hub. FREE.

Songbyrds Choir singing for Crisis 1-2pm outside Hub



Throughout December 2023

Performances of A Christmas Carol Radio Play at Boston Manor House (5<sup>th</sup> December-24<sup>th</sup> December) - <https://theartscentre.co.uk/tickets>

## Brentford Christmas Market – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December



**Join us at the Sophomore Christmas Market on December 17th at Brentford Christmas Market for an unforgettable celebration!**

This year, we're teaming up with Brentford Voice, The Brentford Project, Trash and Treasure and more fantastic partners to make the festive season bigger and better than ever.

We're excited to announce the return of beloved guests: **Santa and his reindeer** will make the trip from the North Pole to TW8, courtesy of Johns&Co.

Head to Market Place Square from 11am onwards for a chance for kids to share their wish lists with Santa, receive a special gift, and even meet Santa's reindeer (Reindeer visitation times: 11AM-3PM).



Don't miss the opportunity to enter our Johns&Co competition and stand a chance to win a Brentford Football Club Community Sports Trust shirt **signed by the Brentford First Team!**

And as you enjoy the market, treat yourself to a complimentary hot drink, courtesy of Johns&Co in partnership with Daniel's.

We're incredibly thrilled to bring back this market, cherishing the chance to spread holiday joy throughout Brentford. We can't wait to celebrate with you all!

Warmest regards,  
Johns&Co Brentford





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**Get in the festive spirit in West London this December at the Brentford Christmas Market**

An exciting day of festive fun for all the family, Brentford's Christmas Market will be taking place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2023, from 11am - 5pm. Hosted by Brentford Voice, The Brentford Project and acclaimed events company, Trash & Treasure, the seasonal celebration will take place in Market Place on the site of the old Sunday Market, down Bradshaw Yard, just off the High Street to Workhouse Dock.

There will be stallholders - including a range of local Brentford retailers, new and old - to help get guests in the festive spirit. From festive food and drink, to Christmas crafts and gifts to choose from, plus Susie John's children's Christmas craft making stall, AND other exciting attractions for children alongside a packed schedule of live performances and entertainment.

**Stallholders include:**

- Newly opened **Sam's Waterside**, which will be serving up Christmas goodies and festive hampers
- Inkwell Designs**, offering its beautiful homeware
- Le Swine**, which will be providing their famous bacon butty
- Muddy Barkers**, offering eco-friendly, sustainable and natural products that are best for both pets and the environment
- Hewson Books**, selling a variety of books, gifts and stationery
- Burma Shack**, offering a delicious selection of Burmese street food

Get in the Christmas mood with a fantastic programme of entertainment! Taking place on both Market Place and Bradshaw Yard, a series of live performances include St Faith's Players and Brentford School for Girls, who will be entertaining the crowd with carols, plus performances from a Steel Pan Band and the Beaver Scout Troup. Local musicians, May & Rin, Honest Frankie and The Rigmorollers Duo, will also be taking to the floor for a trio of live performances.

**Full entertainment schedule: Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Time	Performance
11:00	Opening of proceedings by local film and television actor Ian McNeice, best known for playing Bert Large in the dramedy Doc Martin.
11:30 - 12:00	May and Rin (Market Place)
12:00 - 12:45	Steel Pan Agency Band (Bradshaw Yard)
12:45 - 13:30	Honest Frankie (Market Place)
13:30 - 14:15	Steel Pan Agency Band (Bradshaw Yard)
14:15 - 14:45	Brentford School for Girls Choir (Market Place)
15:00 - 15:15	Beaver Scout Troup (Bradshaw Yard)
15:15 - 16:00	The Rigmorollers Duo (Market Place)
16:00 - 16:45	St Faith's Players Choir (Bradshaw Yard)

**So, grab your friends and family, and get ready for a day filled with festive fun - we hope to see you there!**

## NHS Dentist for Children

Claradent Dental Care is an NHS dedicated practice for all children of school age. We are part of NHS England, who want all school children to be registered with a dentist.

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## Football Coaching at Isleworth and Syon – Spring term 2024



### ISLEWORTH FOOTBALL COACHING COURSE

AT **ISLEWORTH & SYON SCHOOL**

RIDGEWAY ROAD, ISLEWORTH, TW7 5LJ

**WHEN: EVERY MONDAY**

**STARTING: MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

(PLEASE NOTE CHILDREN CAN JOIN COURSE AFTER START DATE CONTACT NUMBER FOR MORE INFO)

**MONDAYS:**

- Group 1 : School Years Reception & Year 1 .....6.00pm-7.00pm (Pitch 1)
- Group 2 : School Year 2 & Year 3.....6.00pm-7.00pm (Pitch 2)
- Group 3 : School Year 4 & Year 5.....7.00pm-8.00pm (Pitch 1)
- Group 4 : School Year 6 & Year 7.....7.00pm-8.00pm (Pitch 2)

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to inform you that, due to the huge success of our football courses over the last 24 years, we are following up the football coaching programme for the season starting in September 2023. The course will run for 12-14 weeks and the programme is for boys and girls aged between 4 and 12.

#### About our Course

- The unique practice techniques are specifically designed to work with children of all abilities, ranging from the absolute beginner to the more advanced player.
- The course is run by **F.A qualified coaches**, who are **DBS** checked, and hold an advanced premier skills qualification, they are currently working with children, enabling them to learn **ESSENTIAL FOOTBALL TECHNIQUES**, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient **FUN!**
- Children will be supervised at all times, although parents are welcome to stay and watch.
- Each child will be provided with a football for individual practice.
- It is an **INDOOR** course held in Sports Halls, therefore trainers must be worn.
- On the final week of the course we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY.**
- **Ex Premier League Birmingham City, West Bromwich Albion and Fulham player Geoff Horsfield** quotes, "I've coached on these courses with the team and they are fantastic in the way they deliver their coaching sessions!"
- **Ex England World Cup star and Sky Sports pundit Paul Merson** quotes, "I have presented trophies to the children on these courses and it's great to see the smiles on their faces and sense of achievement!"
- Children also have a chance to win many other special individual awards and trophies for various skills, including 'American shoot out' and 'Penalty shoot out' competitions.
- Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the presentation.
- The cost of the course is £8.50 per week; payment is made every 4 weeks with the first payment of £34 due on week 1. **Please Note:** Places are limited, therefore bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

[www.prosoccercoaching.org](http://www.prosoccercoaching.org)

#### **TO RESERVE PLACES PLEASE TEXT:**

**ISLEWORTH + CHILD'S NAME + AGE + GROUP NO. (1, 2, 3 or 4)**

**and receive confirmation by text to: 07880 798 762**

### **CHRISTMAS FUN FOOTBALL CAMP**

We are also holding our very popular 4 day CHRISTMAS football camp at Swakeleys School (Hillingdon, UB10 0EJ) on **TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> to FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024** (9.00am – 3.00pm) for boys and girls aged 4 – 13. Each child will receive an engraved trophy. The cost of the 4 day camp are £80 per child. (£50 for additional siblings & Individual Days £25 per day) If you would like your child to attend these football fun days please text: **SWAKELEYS CHRISTMAS CAMP + CHILD'S FULL NAME + AGE TO: 07880 798 762** to obtain confirmation and further details.

#### **Contact:**

To contact the school, please send an email to [office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk)

To contact the Chair of Governors: [chair@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:chair@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk)

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