



# St Paul's CE Primary School

# Newsletter

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## **Message from the Headteacher**

The academic year 2015-16 has flown by. It has seen many changes in primary education. There have been widely reported changes to primary assessments and the SATs as well as proposed changes to school structures in the future.

Despite these changes, as I look back over the year I am reminded of many exciting, fun and enriching activities. A few of the highlights include: the class services over the year, the enormous number of shoeboxes collected for the Samaritan Purse appeal, the Year 6 residential visit to Sayers Croft, the many sports competitions children from our school have entered, the PFA Christmas disco, the many varied class trips, the day of sport during which the Paralympian athlete Ian Rose inspired us all, the bread baking day in year 3, the seaside trips to West Wittering and Worthing, the year 6 hot dog fundraiser and of course Tami's return to school after the February half term.

We have had a successful year and that success only comes about thanks to the efforts of the amazing staff team, the support of our parents, our PFA, our parish church, the guidance and support of our governors, the support of parent and other volunteers on trips and workshops and the enthusiasm of our pupils. I would like to recognise and thank you all for this.

## **Staffing Updates**

As the year ends, we have a number of staff changes ahead. Mrs Wakefield, one of our HLTAs, returned from her maternity leave on Tuesday. Miss James, one of our teachers, started her maternity leave shortly after Easter and gave birth to a beautiful daughter.

Mrs Lonsdale is due to have her baby over the summer holidays and will therefore be on maternity leave when school resumes in September. Mrs Cornish, one of our catering staff will also be starting her maternity leave in the autumn term. Miss Raines, one of our catering team, left the school in the spring term to take up a position in a private nursery. Miss Du Bouchet, one of our teachers, left us after the May half term. Miss Jones, one of our teachers, will leave us at the end of the year to take up an assistant headship at another LDBS school in North West London. Mrs Love, one of our Learning Support Assistants, is moving on to a new role in September. I am sure that you would like to join me in thanking them for their service in the school and to wish them luck as their families and careers grow!

Teacher recruitment has been very tough this year, but we have kept the process going as we are keen to secure effective teachers for our school. I am delighted to report that we now have a full teaching staff for September. We shall be welcoming the following staff to the teaching staff: Mrs Chloe Barry, Miss Stephanie Vanos, Miss Larissa Volossevich, Mrs Janet Graham (part time), Mrs Tara Dodson (part time) and Miss Chloe Wood.

Miss Veda Bennett has worked part time this year as our interim Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO). We have appointed a new full time SENCO, Miss Corinne Lee, who will start with us in September. Miss Bennett will work alongside her in the first half of the autumn term to help induct her.

We have also recruited a new school cook, Mr Lewis to join the catering team in September. This will allow us to open the kitchen on the Alexandra House site and enable us to serve some meals on that site too.

### **Class Allocations 2016-17**

Having finalised teacher recruitment, we have been able to assign classes to teachers. The table below sets out the teachers for classes from September 2016. Nursery, Reception, year 3 and year 4 will be located on the St Paul's site and Years 1,2,5 and 6 will be located on the Alexandra House site.

<b>2016-17</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Class Succession</b>
Nursery	Miss H Smith	
Reception – RR	Mrs L Riley	
Reception – RB	Mrs C Barry	
Year 1SV	Miss S Vanos	RR
Year 1LV	Miss L Volossevich	RV
Year 2K	Mr M Kearney	1J
Year 2B	Mrs C Bradley	1B
Year 3L	Mrs K Little	
Year 4J	Mr D Johnston	3K
Year 4GD	Mrs J Graham & Mrs T Dodson	3L
Year 5	Miss C Wood	
Year 6	Mr T Lacy	

### **School start of day and end of day routines 2016-17**

The routines for start and end of day will be largely unchanged from this year.

**Nursery children** will be admitted through the nursery gate, by the St Paul's Site office at 9am. The gate will re-open at 12pm for parents to collect their children from the nursery door.

**Reception children** will be admitted through the rear gates by the bus halt on Back Lane. The gates will be opened at 8:45am and children will go straight to class. The school day starts at 8:55 and the gates will be closed at this time. The gates will reopen at 3:15 to allow parents on to the site. The Reception class day ends at 3:20pm and children will be dismissed to their parent/carer from the classroom door.

**Years 1,2,5,6 children** will be admitted to Alexandra House through the main gate on Albany Road. The gates will be opened at 8:45am and children will go straight to class. The school day starts at 8:55 and the gates will be closed at this time. The gates will reopen at 3:25 to allow parents on site. The school day ends at 3:30pm and the children will be dismissed from a set lining up place or their classroom door. In order to permit a safe, free-flowing departure, parents will be asked to wait for their children in a specific area.

**Years 3 & 4 children** will be admitted to the St Paul's site by the large gate at the western edge of the main playground – by the old police station building. The gates will be opened at 8:45am and children will go straight to class. The school day starts at 8:55 and the gates will be closed at this time. The gates will reopen at 3:25 to allow parents on site. The school day ends at 3:30pm and the children will be dismissed from a set lining up place or their classroom door.

There is a ten-minute window after 3:30pm on both the Alexandra House site and the St Paul's site to allow parents with children on both sites to collect them both. Parents should collect their youngest child first.

Children who arrive late to school, irrespective of the site their class is based on, should be brought to the St Paul's site office to be signed in.

Children who are late to be collected must be collected from the St Paul's site office. If, in exceptional circumstances, you find that you are running late, please phone and inform the office as soon as possible. Collections after 3:40pm may result in a charge for out of hours childcare.

### **Annual Reports**

Annual reports were sent home yesterday. Statutory assessment results and details explaining the new assessment measures were included in Year 2 and Year 6 reports. Please talk to your child's teacher if you need any further explanation of results.

### **Parents' Evenings**

The final parents' evening of the year is a celebration evening. There is no need to book an appointment, simply go to your child's classroom. The gates open at 5pm and the event finishes at 7pm. Please arrive in good time. You will be able to talk with your child's current teacher and most of the teachers for September will also be present, for you to meet your child's new teacher.

### **Supervision in St Paul's Park**

It is wonderful to have a park so close to the school and in general it is used effectively. There have been a few instances of poor and dangerous behaviour in the park recently. It is important that all children are adequately supervised by an adult.

All park users have the right to be safe and respected in the park. The school's remit does not extend to the park or local area out of school hours, however it is important that all children wearing our uniform behave appropriately. Members of the school's leadership team have been monitoring the park and working with other local services to address some of the issues that have arisen lately.

If you or your children are threatened, abused or intimidated whilst using the park, please call 101 and report the incident to the Police. It is important that the correct authorities are involved to prevent anyone from getting hurt or for problems to escalate.

I am aware that a number of older children and young adults use the park at evenings and weekends and at times they engage primary-aged pupils in conversation. Clearly most of these interactions are friendly and positive, however in some cases the influences are negative. It is important that all primary-aged children are properly supervised in the park.

## YEAR 6

In less than two weeks time, our year 6 children will be moving on to high schools. Each child was prayed for in our recent parent prayer group workshop. Many of the children have been at the school since Nursery and Reception. We all wish them the very best of luck as they take their next step in life, to high school. I am sure that we will see many of them over the next few years.

The year 6 leavers service will be held in St Paul's church at 2pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July. All parents and well wishers from across the school are welcome to join us.

## Lunch at Alexandra House

From September 2016 we intend to open the kitchen and dining hall on Alexandra House. The dining hall will accommodate some of the classes based on the Alexandra House site.

## PFA Summer Fair

This year's summer fair is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. The event will take place on the St Paul's site after school. We shall dismiss pupils as normal, lock up the site and then re-open the gate by the church once the fair is in place. All children at the fair should be accompanied by a parent/carer, who will be responsible for them whilst at the fair. Please keep your eye out for emails, posters and fliers over the next week.

## School Term Dates – 2016-17

I have attached a copy of the agreed term dates for 2016-17. These dates are also available on the school website. Please note the INSET days, which may be slightly different from other schools locally.

## School News, Diary and Information

Much of the news and information about the school is published on our website. If you have not seen it, or looked at it recently, please do spend a moment browsing through it. The address is: [www.stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk](http://www.stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk)

## Coming Up...

### Diary dates:

#### July

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	2pm Recorder concert (years 4 & 5) – St Paul's Site
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	5pm – 7pm Parents' Celebration Evening – both Sites
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Reception classes to visit Hen Corner
	3:45pm Meeting for Reception Parents – transition to Year 1 – AH Hall
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	2pm Year 6 Leavers' service – St Paul's Church
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Final day – <b>Early closure: 1:30pm</b>

#### September

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	First day back for pupils – SCHOOL OPEN

## Community Noticeboard

*On occasion we are informed of events and activities planned in the area, which may be of interest to our families. We do not endorse any of the notices below nor can we guarantee the quality of them.*

### Summer Holiday Provision:

*All the attachments referred to in this section are attached to the electronic copy of this newsletter – sent via parent email.*

**1) Gunnersbury Park Museum – Explore Arts Award Event** – 25<sup>th</sup> July – 29<sup>th</sup> July – Please see attached flier

**2) Summer Activities for Children and Young People in Hounslow** – This is a directory of activities for children of all ages, across the borough – please see the attached flier

**3) Summer Art Club** – 5 weeks of art clubs over the summer holidays – see attached flier.

### **4) Hounslow Libraries – Summer Reading Challenge 2016**

Join the Big Friendly Read this summer holiday and celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Roald Dahl's birth!

Pop into your local library to sign up to the UK's biggest Summer Reading Challenge. Read 6 books, report on them and collect some exciting Roald Dahl character postcards, plus a free book bag if you finish reading all 6 books! There will be lots more to see and do at your local library in the holidays. Find out more at [www.hounslow.info/src](http://www.hounslow.info/src)

### **5) Summer Holiday Cycling Courses – run through local authority**

Summer Holiday Cycle Training for children in London Borough of Hounslow

Want to improve your child's cycling skills this summer? We have a range of subsidised cycle training courses for children and young people from aged 3-13 years old running across the borough during school holidays. Balanceability™ is a learn to ride programme that teach younger children the balance and control skills required to ride a bike on two wheels, Bikebility courses are road safety cycle training courses for children and young people aged 9 and above who can already confidently ride a bike on two wheels. Interested in adult cycle training too? Please visit <http://www.cycleexperience.com/cycle-training-adults.php> for more information.

All courses will be running during school summer holidays at [The Green School](#) in Isleworth and [Cranford Community College](#) for those who live, work or study in the borough.

Balanceability™ learn to ride sessions are designed for children aged 3-10 years who cannot yet ride a bike on two wheels. They teach the essential balance and control skills required to ride a bike.

- When do the courses take place? Courses at The Green School will take place during week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> July and at Cranford College during week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> August. Balanceability courses consist of two 55 minute sessions across two days. Sessions run from 09:00-12:00.
- Are the courses free? These courses are subsidised by the London Borough of Hounslow, subject to a booking and administration fee of £5 per child per course.
- Does my child need to have their own bike and helmet? No, all bikes and helmets are provided for these courses

For more information and to book a course visit:

<http://www.cycleexperience.com/holidaycourses/hounslow/>

Bikeability Level 2 and Level 3 courses These cycle training courses are designed for children and young people aged 9 and above who can already confidently ride a bike on two wheels.

- When do the courses take place? Courses at The Green School will take place during week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> July and at Cranford College during week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> August. Bikeability Level 2 consists of two half day sessions across two consecutive mornings from 9:00-12:00. Bikeability Level 3 is a full day course for young people aged 11+ who have already achieved Bikeability Level 2 and runs from 09:30-15:30.
- Are the courses free? These courses are subsidised by the London Borough of Hounslow, subject to a booking and administration fee of £3 per child per course.
- Does my child need to have their own bike and helmet? Participants must bring their own bicycle and helmet to take part. We recommend a trip to a bike shop to check the roadworthiness of any bikes before the course begins. BMX bikes are designed for off-road use and are not ideally suited for either course

For more information and to book a course visit:

<http://www.cycleexperience.com/learntoride/hounslow.php>

### **6) Hounslow Symphony Orchestra – Summer Concert date**

Hounslow Symphony Orchestra's next concert takes place on Saturday July 16th at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Osterley Road, Isleworth TW7 4PW.

Dubois: Fantasie for Harp and Orchestra

Nielsen: Symphony No 1

Weber: Invitation to the Dance

Chaminade: Concertino for Flute in D major

Pierné: Concertstück opus 39

With soloist Lucy Wakeford, principal harpist, Royal Opera House. Flute soloist Geoff Pinney.

The concert will be conducted by our young music director Scott Wilson. Parking is free in side streets. We aim to be the friendliest orchestra in London and promise everyone a very warm welcome.

Tickets £12.10/£8.80 in advance or £14/£10 on the door. More information from

[www.hounslow-symphony.org.uk](http://www.hounslow-symphony.org.uk)

**7) Hounslow Swimming Club** – An all-year-round club for young swimmers. See attached flier.