



St Paul's Year 4 Newsletter



September 2022

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday and are looking forward to the new school year as much we are!

We are always available at the end of each school day for any questions or to discuss any concerns that you may have. Longer appointments can be arranged by contacting the school office using the following email:

office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk



Reading:

The children will choose their own books to take home, which can be changed **once a week (on a Wednesday in 4J and on a Thursday in 4L)**. Once you have read with your child please record it in the reading record, this way we know that your child has read and we will then be able to change their book. Please feel free to comment on how your child read - did they struggle with any specific words? Did they enjoy the book? Did they read well? Your child is also welcome to make comments too! A letter will be sent home with your child's first reading book explaining the reading records in more detail.



If your child has chosen a longer book and would like more time to finish reading it, please let us know in the reading log and feel free to keep it until they have finished. Similarly, if your child is not enjoying the book they have been given let us know and we can change it! Please ensure your child is reading every day at home.

Homework:

Homework will consist of maths and English activities. It will be sent home on a **Friday** and collected in on **Tuesday**.

We shall also be sending weekly spellings home for the children to learn and these will be tested in school on a **Wednesday**.

More details will be sent home about this additional homework soon.

It is expected by the end of year 4 that children are familiar with, and can recite, all times tables to 12. We will practise this in class throughout the year and your support in practising at home would be greatly appreciated! Please use times tables rock stars and extra x tables will be posted on google classroom.

PE:

4L – PE will take place on Wednesday am and Friday PM

4J – PE will take place on Wednesday pm and Thursday am.

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for all PE sessions (many parents find it easier to keep PE kits in school, taking them home at the end of half terms to be washed). It is important that children are not wearing jewellery / earrings on these days. The school PE kit is black shorts, plain white t-shirt and black plimsolls (indoors) or trainers (outdoors).

A plain blue, black or grey tracksuit will be worn for PE in the colder months.

Swimming:

Swimming will start on Thursday 15th September.

4L- Leaving school at 1.15pm

4J- Leaving school at 1.45pm.

All children will need in a named bag a towel, swimming hat and correct swimming wear.

Boys swimming shorts, girls a one piece swimming costume.

Please email the school office if you would be available to come each week as a helper for the swimming sessions.

School Uniform

Please label all school uniform and PE kit to avoid items being misplaced. Ensure that your child is wearing full school uniform to school each day. If your child wears boots to school, please ensure that they have their school shoes to change in to for the school day.

Hair accessories must also be school colours.

Recorder Lessons

This year your child will be having recorder lessons on **Fridays** which are taught by an experienced music teacher. In previous years, children have enjoyed these lessons and have made wonderful progress over the year. Children may take the recorders home to practise, but they **must** ensure that they have them in school each lesson.

Collecting Your Child

If your child is going to be collected by someone else it