

From the headteacher



Dear families,

Important Reminder: Road Safety After School

Please could I ask everyone who uses the Russell Street entrance, to use the pavements when leaving school, rather than walking down the middle of the road. Residents of the nearby flats park their cars in this area, and we want to avoid any accidents. Please keep your children close to you at all times.

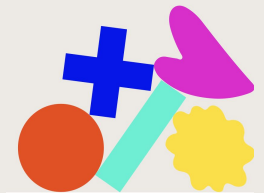
Year 6 Pupils Walking Home

For those Year 6 children who walk home independently, please remind them to stay vigilant and walk on the pavements. We've noticed some children are engrossed in their mobile phones, as they leave school, rather than watching the road. Please encourage them to put phones away until they're safely home.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

With warm wishes,

Helen Darrell



THIS WEEK AT ST PAUL'S



SATs - Huge (and well deserved!) congratulations to the Year 6s for completion of their SATs assessments this week.

Wondrous Weather - This week, alongside the ever changing weather of sunshine and rain, the children have experienced hail. It was exciting to watch the small round stones and a marvel to hear the power of them raining down upon the roof! A couple of children (and staff members!) even enjoyed a little dance in it.

Welcoming Prospective Families

It has been a pleasure to show prospective families around St. Paul's recently. These visits give us the opportunity to showcase the warm, inclusive community we've built and the excellent learning experiences we provide for our pupils. We love sharing what makes our school special – from our dedicated staff to our engaged learners and our strong values-based approach to education.

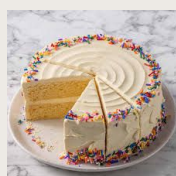
RE Training for Staff

Our teaching staff have recently updated their Religious Education knowledge through professional training. This ensures we continue to deliver high-quality RE teaching that is engaging, age-appropriate and meets the needs of all our pupils.

Rabbit Class Cake Sale & Lost Property

Rabbit Class will be holding a cake sale after school – a wonderful opportunity to support the PTFA whilst enjoying some delicious treats!

Please also remember to check the lost property on the playground after school. We have a number of items waiting to be reunited with their owners. Please do remember to label **ALL** items of clothing so that we can return any misplaced items.



Badger class news



Weekly Library Visit

Badger class enjoyed their weekly visit to the library this week. After a special request from one member of the class, the children also designed their own bookmarks as early morning work. It's been great to see the interest in books and reading bloom throughout the class at this point in the year.

Time and Direction

In Maths, Year 2 have been learning how to tell the time on an analogue clock and Year 1 have been learning about position and direction. Why not ask them to explain what time it is to you, or direct you around a room?

Dragon Writing

Having studied the book 'Dragon Post', we have been imagining how to take care of some of our own cheeky dragons! This week we've been preparing for, and writing, a guide to looking after these magical, mythical creatures. As part of this process we considered both the positives and challenges that would come with such an unusual pet.



Useful dates

Summer Term 2026
Tuesday 14th April -
Friday 17th July 2026

Thurs 21 May - KS1 Sports day

Fri 22 May - KS2 Sports day

Half term - week beginning Monday 25th May

Mon 1 Jun - Wed 3 Jun - Year 6 PGL

Sat 27 Jun - Summer Fair 11-2pm

Attendance Matters!

Every Day Counts This Summer Term

As we head into summer, we want to remind you why regular attendance remains so important for your child.

This term is crucial for:

- Securing learning** – Consolidating the skills needed for next year
- End of year assessments** – Helping us plan your child's next steps
- Special events** – Sports days, trips, performances and celebrations
- Friendships** – Precious final weeks with classmates and teachers

Looking ahead: We know summer can bring temptations to extend holidays or take time off, but every day of learning matters. Missing school now can impact your child's readiness for September.

Need support? If your child feels anxious or worried about attending school, please speak with us. We're here to work with you to put the right support in place.

Good attendance is a partnership. If you have any concerns, please contact me or your child's class teacher.

Let's talk attendance!

