

From the headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely to welcome all our pupils back to school this week!

I'm delighted to share some wonderful news – Miss A has had her baby! Both mum and baby are doing well, and we're all thrilled for her and her family. I'm sure you'll join me in sending her our warmest congratulations.

Looking ahead to next week, we have Bikeability training:

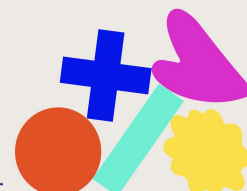
Years 3 and 4: Friday 24th April

Year 5: Monday - Friday WB 27th April

Please ensure your child brings their bike and helmet on their designated day.

With warm wishes,

Helen Darrell



THIS WEEK AT ST PAUL'S

Drama Workshop Adventure: On Thursday afternoon, Robins and Badgers classes were transported to Neverland during their second 'Perform' drama workshop. The children had a wonderful time meeting Peter Pan and joining him on an exciting adventure, where they bravely fought Captain Hook and shared whispered secrets with Tinker Bell. It was fantastic to see the children's creativity and enthusiasm shine through as they immersed themselves in the story.

Coffee Morning Invitation: We warmly invite all parents and carers to join us for our next coffee morning on **Thursday 23 April at 9am**. This is a lovely opportunity to meet other parents, chat with staff, and find out more about what's happening at school. We look forward to seeing you there!

Celebrating Writing Progress: It's been wonderful to look through the children's writing books this week and see the excellent progress they've been making. The improvement in their skills and confidence is clear to see, and we're incredibly proud of all their hard work and achievements.

PSHE Curriculum Leadership: Mrs Morley recently spoke to the governors about her work leading our PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic education) curriculum. She shared how we're helping children develop important life skills, build positive relationships, and understand how to stay healthy and safe. The governors were impressed by the thoughtful approach we're taking to support our pupils' personal development.

Learning in Robin Class: Mrs Lennon and Mrs Darrell spent time in Robin class this week and were delighted to see the children fully engaged with the rich learning opportunities available to them. It was lovely to observe how the children interacted with activities both inside the classroom and in the outdoor learning environment, making the most of every opportunity to explore, discover, and develop their skills.



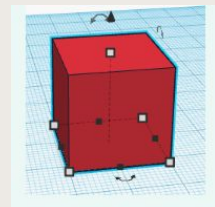
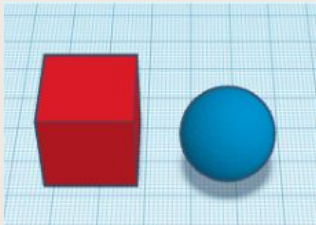
Hedgehog class news

In our English lessons, we are continuing with our unit based on the book 'The Last Bear', with the final product being a newspaper report. We are enjoying this narrative as it is full of mystery and is very topical with a polar bear's paw being trapped in plastic.

In Maths, we have started to look at area, perimeter and volume. Whilst working out the area of triangles, we have learnt about perpendicular height. This is new vocabulary in Year 6 and has taken a little getting used to!

Our science this week was interesting. Before Easter, we had set up an experiment to see the conditions that were needed for mould to grow on bread. We put pieces of bread in sealed plastic bags in different places around the school. This week we retrieved the bags and looked at the bread through the bag. Some of the results were disgusting!

In computing, we have started to look at 3D modelling through the use of the program Tinkercad. This is something that we can access at home as well if we want to continue being creative. We have learnt the different ways that we can view the shapes, how we move the shapes on the screen and that all the work is done on a 'workplane'..



Useful dates

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

Thurs Apr 23 - Coffee morning

Fri Apr 24 - Year 3 and 4 Bikeability

Apr 27 - 30 - Year 5 Bikeability

Fri 1 May - Squirrel cake sale

Half term - week beginning Monday 25th May

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!

