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A message from Mrs Batsford

As we approach the season of Advent, the school is humming with excitement and anticipation with all that is to come over the next few weeks. Reception and Key Stage 1 are busy rehearsing for the Nativity and Aladdin and yesterday we started to prepare for our Christingle services – it was lovely to hear the children singing carols once more. Classrooms are awash with the decorations the children have made, ranging from Christmas penguins to Christmas puddings! All of this is planned for within our curriculum to provide the children with wonderful opportunities to learn about and celebrate at this special time of year the Greatest Story Ever Told.



Looking back over the last two weeks we have had Friendship Week which included numerous workshops and tailored activities and we continue to challenge ourselves with Barvember. On Thursday 18 November the Anti-Racism Working Party met to discuss plans and formulate ideas for the year ahead which we will be sharing with you in due course. I am very grateful for the expertise and positivity of everyone in the group – our meeting was really uplifting!

Today has been non-uniform day, in preparation for the Christmas Market which takes place next Friday from 5.00-8.00pm. Our thanks, as ever, to FOSPS for their on-going support and who give so generously of their time, providing us with amazing fundraising events for our children and parents to enjoy. We hope to see you there next week.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend,
Suzanne Batsford



Oranges for Christingle

Our Christingle services take place on Thursday 9th December (KS1) at 2.30pm and Tuesday 14th December (KS2) at 7.00pm both at St Paul's Church. Please let the school office know if you are able to donate the oranges or sweets for the Christingles. We are all very much looking forward to these special services.



The orange represents the world

The red ribbon symbolises the love and blood of Christ



The Children's Society

This is an amazing charity supporting and empowering children and young people and this year we have set up a special events page so that your Christingle donations can be made online at <https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/christingle/st-pauls-ce-primary-school-winchmore-hill>. Please note that the dates and times in the box opposite are the correct ones and we are in the process of updating those displayed on The Children's Society website.

The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations

The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world



Goodbye Mr Nutting

We wish to express our warm gratitude and thanks to David Nutting for his wonderful service to St Paul's school over the past 27 years.

David began his association with St Paul's when his two children, Fiona and Andrew attended as pupils.

Since then David has served as a school Governor for many years, carrying out the role of treasurer and providing advice and guidance to trust members.

David began his role as IT technician in 2005. During this time he worked with a number of children through the computing club. He has been a great support over the past 2 years in assisting the school with remote learning during lockdown. He has also been a stalwart for the Panto, supporting the production as a lighting and sound engineer.

I am sure you will join us in wishing David and his family all the best for the future.



Tempest Photography



Tempest Photography will be in school on Tuesday 30th November to take the rest of the sibling and absent pupil photos that they were unable to complete on 21st October.



Our Christmas Tree and Advent Wreath

A special thank you to Mr Kaufmann for kindly providing us with a fabulous Christmas tree for the entrance hall – it always brings great happiness and excitement to children and adults alike. Thanks also to the generosity of Panache, who always decorate our Advent wreath – it looks beautiful!



Queen's Jubilee



We will be taking Friday 1 July 2022 as a bank holiday for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee (in lieu of this falling during the half term break).



School Street



As you know, following the School Street trial and the associated consultation, our School Street is now becoming permanent. Across the 12 School Streets trials launched last year, there has been a 200% increase of children cycling to school, a 14% increase in walking and a 29% fall in the number of children being dropped off to school by car.

We will continue to work in partnership with the Local Authority to make any necessary adjustments to the scheme, which may include some amendments to times of operation. To assist with the long-term management of this scheme, the Council are looking to support the enforcement of the pedestrian and cycling zone through the use of cameras. This work is ongoing; schools and local residents have been told in advance of this how they can apply for permits. You may see equipment being installed, but please be assured that we'll be providing 4 weeks' notice for those eligible to apply for permits before any cameras go live. Whilst this will reduce the pressure on marshalling, we will continue to use marshals and gates to ensure the highest levels of safety.

For those of you who are 'parking and striding' we would like to remind you to be respectful to other residents and not block driveways, park dangerously at junctions or on double-yellow lines on the bend of Ringwood Way. It is of course great news that more people are choosing to walk and cycle to school. Increasing the levels of sustainable travel is a crucial part of our response to the climate emergency. Our everyday choices all contribute to the local, national and global necessity to reduce our carbon emissions.



Christmas at St Paul's

Christmas Lunch – Tuesday 7th December

This will take place on Tuesday 7th December. The children can bring their reindeer antlers and wear festive head gear to enjoy their special Christmas menu.

Christmas parties

These will take place for KS2 on the 10th December and KS1 on the 13th December. More information to follow.

Reception Nativity and KS1 production

This will take place on the afternoons of the 14, 15 and 16th December. Ticket information will follow shortly.

If you are attending one of our Christmas events in school such as the Reception Nativity and KS1 production we ask that you take a Lateral Flow test on the day of the event. Please do not attend any event if you have any COVID symptoms or your test is positive.

St Paul's pupil presented with high achiever award

Congratulations to one of our former pupils, Sophia who was presented with a certificate at the London Borough of Enfield's High Achievers Awards. Sophia was recognised for her attainment in languages and her high GCSE grades. Well done Sophia!



Well done Alex

We are very proud to hear the achievements of one of our Year 5 pupils. Alex competed last weekend at Southbury swimming pool for the Enfield Swim Squads November Meet. He swam in 5 races and got personal best times in all, gaining 3 bronze medals for 50 metres breaststroke, 50 metres freestyle and 100 metre freestyle. This was an amazing achievement as he was one of the youngest in the category.



House Points

19 November 2021		26 November 2021	
Sherbrook	195	Radcliffe	215
Radcliffe	175	Ringwood	208
Ringwood	169	Sherbrook	207
Compton	168	Compton	173

Online safety

Last week, ECP visited the school to deliver pupil workshops and staff training. It was an incredibly useful and thought provoking day and we hope everyone can move forward with more confidence around online safety.



Communion at Holy Trinity



On Thursday 25 November Years 5 and 6 attended a Communion Service at Holy Trinity Church. After the service Fr Richard wrote to us saying, "the singing was beautiful and the readers and servers were outstanding. The pupils were also very impressive in their demeanour and responses. A school one can really be proud of!"

Thank you, Fr Richard, for your kind words and for such a lovely service.

St Paul's Dads' Football Team Report on the Clare Potsos Cystic Fibrosis Memorial

On Sunday 14th November 2021 St Paul's Dads' FC played Southgate Olympic in the Clare Potsos memorial football match in aid of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust. Before the game commenced a minute's silence was held for Remembrance Sunday followed by a bugle player playing the Last Post and finally a rapturous minute's applause for Clare Potsos who sadly lost her life to cystic fibrosis.

This is not the first match between these two fiercely competitive teams but the first to be held at Southgate Olympics ground. Paul Potsos and his home team took the lead in the first half only for Brian Merchant and his St Paul's Dads' FC team to score 2 in the second half and go on to win the game.

Great fun was had by both teams during the game and then at the post match event held in the clubhouse. An amazing £2,500 was raised from the auction alone plus there was a fantastic raffle with amazing prizes. A competitive yet fun and poignant day was had by all with a fundraising total of £7,500 raised so far. Donations are still very welcome and can be made using the QR code or by visiting Clare's tribute page - [Tribute to Clare Potsos \(muchloved.com\)](https://muchloved.com) where you can also see some wonderful pictures and share stories of Clare.



If you would like to come along to the St Paul's Dads' football training sessions at Enfield Grammar 5G pitch on Tuesday evenings from 9pm till 10pm, then please call Brian Merchant 07506 801 714 to find out more.

The Cystic Fibrosis Trust's mission is to create a world where being born with CF no longer means a life-long struggle, when everyone living with the condition will be able to look forward to a long, healthy life.

The Cystic Fibrosis Trust would like to thank everyone that took part in the match or donated to the magnificent fundraising total.

School Council

We have elected 2 School Council reps from each class from Years 2-6

- 2S- Teddy and Iris
- 2P- Lottie and Beatrice
- 3B- Elijah and Elysia
- 3M- Matthew and Andrea
- 4D- Sophie and Ethan
- 4W- Hannah and Max
- 5C- Olivija and Oliver
- 5BH- Joban and Evangeline
- 6T- Ruby and Adam
- 6TN- Tabby and Ned

Mr Timbrell's Book Recommendations

REC: Hello Friend by Rebecca Cobb

Y1: The Cat and the King by Nick Sharratt

Y2: Bloom by Anne Booth

Y3: Planet Omar by Zanib Mian

Y4: Hot Like Fire by Valerie Bloom

Y5: High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson

Y6: Cloud Busting by Malorie Blackman

Congratulations to our boys' football team who competed in the Enfield Borough Tournament last Friday.



They played brilliantly, winning 3 games, drawing 2 and only losing 1. Great teamwork and sportsmanship was shown by all who played. Well done!



Friendship Week

Last week we celebrated 'St Paul's Friendship Week'. We discussed and explored the importance of friendships. We also talked about what bullying is and what the children should do if they think they are being bullied or they are witness to bullying. On Tuesday the children took part in a workshop in the hall explaining the importance of keeping safe online and on Wednesday and Thursday there were workshops on how to recognise and manage different emotions. Other activities included making a new friend in another class and decorating a friendship band. On Thursday and Friday, the Sports Captains did a super job in organising, leading and supervising some fun activities on the playground in which classes were mixed and the children had the opportunity to work together in house groups and make more new friends. The 'Friendship' posters that the children have created will be displayed around the school and on the playground.



1N – We thought about our actions and what we do to show we are good friends to one another. We made a poster of our ideas.



In 1N we paired up with 4D, had a chat to get to know each other and made friendship bands together.



Newsletter attachments

<https://www.st-pauls.enfield.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Havilands-Share-the-Love.pdf>

<https://www.st-pauls.enfield.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/N21-Family-Festivities.pdf>

<https://www.st-pauls.enfield.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Parents-Online-workshop.pdf>

<https://www.st-pauls.enfield.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/St-Peters-Christmas-poster-2021.pdf>



FOSPS News

Outdoor Christmas Market – Friday 3 December 5pm - 8pm

Only one week to go.....

Please join us for a fantastic evening of festivities, games, shopping, BBQ, bar and much more.

£2 entry for adults and children over the age of 12.

Please be aware that although some stalls will take card payments, the majority will be cash only.

If you have not yet signed up to help on your class stall, please do so if you are able to. Also, if you have any free time and your class stall is full, then please let your class rep know as other stalls may need some help.

Please note - if there is any 'muscle' available to help set up gazebos and move furniture, we would be very grateful if you come to school at 3.30pm on Friday 3 December.

Also this week.....

Raffle Tickets

Please return all raffle tickets to school (there is a box in reception) by Tuesday 30 November.

Tickets will also be available to purchase at the Christmas Market, together with a full list of prizes on offer.

Online Shop

<https://the-friends-of-st-pauls-school-winchmore-hill.sumup.link>

All orders made before 30 November 2021 will be available to collect at the Christmas Market.

Santa's Grotto

There are a few slots remaining for Santa's Grotto at the Christmas Market. Book now at the online shop.

Easy Fundraising

If you're doing some of your Christmas shopping online please remember to sign up to Easy Fundraising. It only takes a couple of minutes and there are over 4,300 shops who will donate to us (for free) every time you shop with them!

Visit: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpaulswinchmorehill/payments/64/>

AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping App

We also receive donations from AmazonSmile. Sign up is simple - there are three easy steps to follow to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations:

1. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device
2. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'
3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process

Once AmazonSmile has been activated in the app every eligible purchase will automatically generate a donation for the school.

Shop on AmazonSmile at <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/281060-0> and Amazon donates at no cost to you.

Once again, thank you to everyone for their generous donations and enthusiasm today. The countdown is well underway, as we look forward to sharing lots of festive cheer with everyone at the Christmas Market next week!

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