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Message from Mrs Batsford

The last two weeks of term have been extremely busy and it has been a delight to see the children enjoy lots of Christmas activities. We have had the FOSPS Christmas Market which was a great success and we have enjoyed a Christmas Concert and two wonderful Christingle services; a heartfelt thank you for your support of the Children's Society. The donations page will be open until March 2022 after which we will be able to tell you how much has been raised.

Our Reception and Key Stage 1 children have performed 'A Miracle in Town – The Nativity Play' and 'Aladdin Trouble'. This year everything has felt extra special as we were unable to present live performances last year. The children were fantastic and we were very proud of them. A huge thank you for your co-operation with the additional measures put in place in line with government guidance.

Unfortunately, this week Class 5C have had to return to online learning due to the number of positive Covid-19 cases within the class. We hope those who have been unwell make a speedy recovery in time for Christmas and their families keep well too. On our return to school in January we ask that all families/children take a Lateral Flow test on Monday 3 January to ensure everyone returning to school is well and to try to break the transmission of the virus.

On behalf of all the staff at St Paul's I would like to say a big thank you for all the lovely cards and gifts. The staff have worked extremely hard and always appreciate your words of support and encouragement. We look forward to welcoming the children back at school in the New Year, refreshed and ready for the term ahead.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas!

Suzanne Batsford

But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.

Luke 2.19

Trainee Teachers

Next term our trainee teacher in Reception will be moving to another school for a short placement and we have a new trainee at St Paul's. We welcome Ms Grzesiczek, who will be working alongside Mrs Naylor in Year 1 during the first half of the Spring term.





Following a review of our award protocols we have made a few changes. The Gayler Award (named after a previous headteacher James Gayler 1939-1970) will now be presented twice a year, at the end of the Autumn and Summer terms.

Congratulations to the following children who have received the Gayler award this term in recognition of their good work and attitude in school:

- RB **Amelie** for her amazing hard work and showing great resilience since starting school. Amelie has settled well and developed trusting relationships; an incredible achievement of which she should be very proud.
- RP **Finn** for a fantastic start to school. Finn has the most impeccable manners and is a kind and considerate friend. Finn is a great role model to his peers; he listens well, works hard and puts 100% into his learning. We are very proud of you; well done!
- 1N **Elliot** setting an excellent example to others in his behaviour manner and attitude to learning. He is an absolute pleasure to teach!
- 1SA **Frankie** has made excellent progress since he started in Year 1. His positive attitude and constant effort has helped him become an independent learner. We are very proud of him.
- 2P **Gordon** has had a wonderful start to the school year. He is a kind and thoughtful boy who always strives to do his best. It has been lovely to see his confidence increase, Gordon is a pleasure to teach and an asset to the school.
- 2S **Ava** for being a good role model with her exemplary behaviour and wonderful manners; she works hard in all lessons across the curriculum.
- 3B Millan his excellent attitude to learning and being the perfect role model to his peers.
- 3M **Sophie** for being a fantastic role model and trying her best in every lesson. She always considers the feelings of others and is kind and supportive to all of the children around her.
- 4D **Florence** for consistently trying her best in all subjects across the curriculum. Florence always treats others with kindness and respect.
- 4W **Emiliana** for the excellent effort she invests into lessons across the curriculum and for being a wonderful role model within the class. Emiliana is a thoughtful and kind girl who will always support her peers.
- 5BH **Elodie** for the quality of work, she has undertaken across the curriculum. She can always be relied on to work to the best of her ability showing resilience and determination when faced with challenges. She is kind, polite and helpful an asset to the class.
- 5C **Chloe** for her outstanding effort in all areas of learning. Since the beginning of the year Chloe has applied her self consistently: she is a true role model to the class.
- 6T **Tatiana** her exemplary behaviour all term. Tatiana produces a high level of work across the curriculum and independently tackles daily challenges with maturity.
- 6TN **Yasmina** for an excellent attitude to school life. Yasmina puts 100% effort into all that she does, she is kind and helpful and a true role model, to the class.



KS2 Reading Records

As the Autumn term comes to an end, we would like to inform you of our expectations regarding the reading records in KS2.

- Year 3/4 Children will read to their Class Teacher every 3 weeks (where there are serious concerns about pupils reading levels additional interventions will be put in place)
 - Children will be supported by Teaching Assistants when necessary
 - Children's reading records and reading books will need to be in school every day
 - Reading records to include 3 logs by child and a parent comment each week
- **Year 5/6** Children's reading will be checked on a weekly basis (might be hearing them read or may be more of a conversation about what has been read)
 - Reading records to include 3 logs by child and a parent comment each week
 - Children will be supported by Teaching Assistants when necessary
 - Children's reading records and reading books will need to be in school every day

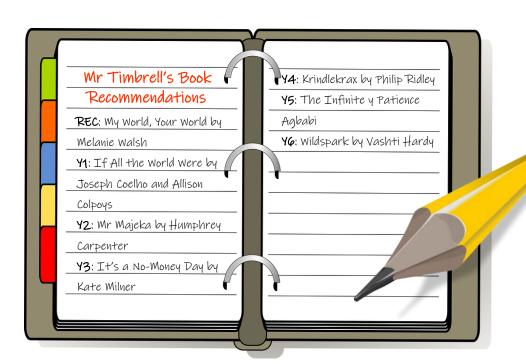
An example log Date - 6.12.21

Book title - Harry Potter

Page - p95-99

Children's reading skills are monitored throughout the week during guided reading sessions and across other curriculum areas. We encourage children to be reading daily at home and practising reading aloud to their parent/carer too.

Thank you for your continued cooperation; the daily practising of reading plays an integral role in your child's learning.



Football Success

Congratulations to our girls' football team who competed in the Enfield Borough Tournament. The team playing brilliantly, winning 3 games, drawing 1 and only losing 1. They came 2nd in their group and were 1 goal off reaching the semi-final. Well done to all who played!



Holiday Activities and Food

School holidays can be particular pressure points for some families because of increased costs (such as food and childcare) and reduced incomes. For some children that can lead to a holiday experience gap, with children from disadvantaged families:

- less likely to access organised out-of-school activities
- more likely to experience 'unhealthy holidays' in terms of nutrition and physical health
- more likely to experience social isolation
- Free holiday clubs are a response to this issue and evidence suggests that they can have a positive impact on children and young people and that they work best when they:
- provide consistent and easily accessible enrichment activities
- cover more than just breakfast or lunch
- involve children (and parents) in food preparation

For further information please see https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/holid ay-activities-and-food-programme

House Points

Congratulations to **RADCLIFFE** who are this half term's overall house point winners.

More information on their house treat to follow.

10 December 2021		26 November 2021	
Radcliffe	204	Compton	236
Compton	181	Sherbrook	225
Sherbrook	171	Radcliffe	210
Ringwood	154	Ringwood	165

Newsletter attachments

Carols on the Green

Christmas 2021 at St Paul's

HAF Winter Brochure

Spring Term Schedule 2022

A message from the Department for Education – Booster Vaccinations

"There is a new variant of COVID-19 - Omicron - which is highly infectious and spreading fast. Every adult in the country now needs to get a Covid-19 booster vaccine, because two doses of the vaccine are not enough to give the level of protection against infection we all need. Boosters give you the best possible protection against the virus and should significantly reduce your risk of serious illness and hospitalisation.

It is more important than ever to get vaccinated. Get your Covid-19 booster vaccine today to strengthen your protection. Get boosted now. Visit nhs.uk/covidvaccination."

LFD testing - Monday 3rd January

To protect our whole school community and to try and break the transmission of Covid please could all parents/carers and their children do a Lateral Flow test on Monday 3 January. A reminder that lateral flow tests should be negative – if you have any doubt about the result please book a PCR test by clicking on this link:

https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

FOSPS News

Christmas Market

On Friday the 3rd of December we held our first ever outdoor Christmas Market. It was a fantastic evening of festivities, games, shopping and the odd glass or two of mulled wine. Thanks to everyone who braved the cold (and a little bit of dark) to come along and support the evening. Thank you also for all the very generous donations sent into school, without which the event just wouldn't be possible. We would also like to thank Mrs Batsford, the office staff and all the teachers for their support, with a special thanks to Mr Crouch for all his help with both the set up and tidying.

We are currently finalising costs, but expect the amount raised to be between £7,000 and £8,000 which is absolutely incredible! We look forward to confirming the final figure in the new year.

Details of our lucky raffle winners are as follows:

- Nintendo Switch Lite won by Joanna P
- INSTAX Mini 11 Camera won by Dan Coombes
- £40 Cash won by the Neville family
- Christmas Tree won by Gareth Morgan
- Handmade Christmas Wreath won by Luke Perera
- Winchmore's Hair & Beauty Voucher won by Sophia Constantinou
- Tea box for 2 won by Alex Benson
- Fresh pine Christmas floral tale arrangement won by Penny Roper
- Hopper & Bean Voucher won by Elizabeth
- Beauty bag from Winchmore's won by Charlotte McDougall
- 3 free classes at The Artz Kidz won by the Dawkins family
- 1/2 term of dance classes at The Dance Studio won by Lucinda Wragg
- Sweetie jar won by Molly and Marcia
- Free class at The Junk Club Kids won by Raffaello Panteli-Matter
- Panettone won by Steve Boxall
- Bayliss & Harding gift box won by H. Agyekum
- Footworks Dance Academy voucher won by Emily N
- Christmas pudding won by S. Coles
- Perfume gift box won by Elysia Papamichael

All winners have been contacted. Anyone who has not collected their prize from the school reception before the end of term should be able to pick it up in January.

Panto

Now that Christmas is nearly upon us that can mean only one thing... it will soon be January and time for the FOSPS Panto! Oh no it won't we hear you say...oh yes it will (we hope)! Tickets for this much loved event are now on sale. The show is running on Thursday 13, Friday 14 and Saturday 15 January. Tickets are £12 adult, £9 child, with an opening night special of £9 adult and £7 child. You can book tickets using the link below, so don't delay grab those seats today. It promises to be a show filled with lots of laughter, boos, singing and more dances than you see on Strictly!

FOSPS News

200 Club

The 200 Club winners for November and December are as follows:

November	December
£50 - 17	£50 - 52
£20 - 128	£20 - 184
£10 - 97	£10 - 37

Congratulations to our winners.

Don't forget the 200 Club will be back in 2022, with the first draw taking place at the end of January.

What is The 200 Club we hear some of you ask? There are 200 numbers and each month three winning numbers are drawn with the following prizes up for grabs:

1st Prize - £50 2nd Prize - £20 3rd Prize - £10

It costs just £10 to have a number for the whole year and registration is quick and easy - just fill in a form using the link below. https://forms.gle/fcNqHrXb5dUVo7uP6

We can randomly select you a number, however if you have a preference or any questions at all please email - alijperera@icloud.com

Bank details to transfer £10 per number are as follows:

Natwest

Friends of St Paul's School Winchmore Hill

Sort code: 60-07-38 Account number: 58577769

Don't delay, grab your lucky number today!

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.

Merry Christmas

As another extraordinary year draws to a close with some uncertainty on the horizon, we wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone once again for their continued support. Throughout this pandemic, the school community has continued to work together to try and create as many fun and exciting memories as possible for the children. While things have undoubtedly been a little different, both children and parents alike have embraced the various events with enthusiasm and laughter. There has been lots of fun along the way and, no matter what the new year brings, there will be plenty more to come.

So we would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and hope that the New Year will bring brighter days. Stay safe and healthy and we will look forward to seeing you all very soon.

Merry Christmas. With love, FOSPS