

# ST PAUL'S C of E VA PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHIPPERFIELD

*Love to Learn; Learn to Love*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Goodbye to Mrs Hill

Today we say thank you and goodbye to Mrs Hill, who has taught at St Paul's for 23 years. We have had a few different celebrations during the week: the afternoon tea with parents; an evening celebration with staff, ex-staff and governors and then we finished with a celebration assembly today. Thank you to all those parents who came to the tea and to those who made and sent in cakes, biscuits and scones. Mrs Hill has been very touched by the contributions and messages, and we are all amazed that we have been able to keep the various events a secret!

During her time at the school Mrs Hill has always put in so much extra and gone that extra mile; she has always been the first to volunteer to run extra-curricular clubs, such as gym club and other sporting activities, and she has helped with many residential trips, supporting even when it has not been her class. Mrs Hill has also been responsible for helping to train student teachers over the years and has supported a trainee for nearly every year that she has been here - in fact both myself and Mr Fanshaw are products of the Mrs Hill school of training! She has given so much of herself over the years, with so much care and love - St Paul's will not be the same without her. We wish her lots of happiness in her retirement and this next chapter in her life when she will have time to focus more on her family and exciting adventures ahead.

## Staffing next term

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Ridout back to nursery and thank Mrs Ballard for covering in her absence. Mrs Ballard will be back to help Mrs Hodgson teach Reception for the summer term.

## Diary Dates

(new events highlighted)



### March

31<sup>st</sup> - End of term **2pm**

### April

18<sup>th</sup> - Term begins

Easter service in church

19<sup>th</sup> - Rock Challenge rehearsal

22<sup>nd</sup> - Photographer (FOSP)

24<sup>th</sup> - Happy Bag Collection

Applications open for  
academic testing (Y5)

25<sup>th</sup> - Y2 at Sportspace

26<sup>th</sup> - JRock Final in

Portsmouth

27<sup>th</sup> - Governor committee

meetings

28<sup>th</sup> - Y3 value assembly: Peace

### May

KS1 SATs and Phonics

screening throughout May

1<sup>st</sup> - Bank Holiday

2<sup>nd</sup> - Online safety workshops  
and parents meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> - Y4 to Kingswood

8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> - KS2 SATs week

8<sup>th</sup> - Y2 to Whipnade Zoo

9<sup>th</sup> - FOSP meeting at

Blackwells

10<sup>th</sup> - Y3 tag rugby

11<sup>th</sup> - Full Governing Board

12<sup>th</sup> - Y4 Kingswood assembly

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> - Y6 to Osmington

Bay

17<sup>th</sup> - Y3&4 tri golf

19<sup>th</sup> - Yr5&6 netball

tournament at Cavendish

25<sup>th</sup> - Class and team photos

Mixed kwick cricket

Y6 school journey

Assembly

26<sup>th</sup> - INSET school closed

### Pathway - help needed

We are looking to building a path around the school field in our bid to get children even more active during the school day. Our aim is to encourage pupils to walk a mile and we would like to mark a route around school. If you think you may be able to help with this, please contact the school office. Thank you.

### Sports News:

Years 5 and 6 came third in the district annual 7-aside tournament. They were beaten in the semi-finals on penalties and did not concede a goal in the whole tournament. 30 teams took part and congratulations go out to the children who did amazingly well to get this far. Years 3 and 4 also came third in their district tournament, narrowly losing in the semi-final 1-0. On their journey to the semi- final, numerous goals were scored including 5 in one match for Bobby. A big thank you for Mr Dunsby and Mr Kindell for coaching and managing the squad.

Well done to the netball team who played really well against Boxmoor on Monday. Although they lost 8-15, they did themselves proud. The team have come second in our group so will go on to the quarter finals to play the winners of another group. Good luck!

Thank you to the Year 6 leaders who organised and ran an Easter fitness sessions for Years 3 and 4 this week. The children taking part had lots of fun and showed many of the school and Olympic values.

### FOSP News

Please remember to keep old clothes and materials for our Happy Bag collection just after Easter. Also, don't forget our easy fundraising when you do online shopping on:

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofstpaulsschoolchipperfield>



### This Week's Attendance Figures:

Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 1	Yr 3	Yr 6	Rec	Yr 2
100%	98.9%	97.8%	96.1%	95.8%	93.9%	93.2%

**Overall school attendance: 96.6%**

**Overall attendance for the term: 97%**



<b>Bronze Award</b>	
<b>Silver Award</b>	Y1 - Holly, Ben, Harrison, Sam and Kiera-Lee Y4 - Lois, Matilda and Daisy Y6 - Elysia
<b>Gold Award</b>	Y6 - James

Coming up in the week after Easter:

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Monday - school closed
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2pm	Summer term begins Easter Service in church
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 3.15 - 4.15pm	Rock Challenge rehearsal
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Photographer in school (FOSP) <i>more details will be sent after Easter</i>

An awful lot has been packed into this term and the children (and staff!) are ready for the break. As well as working incredibly hard on the curriculum, there has also been a lot of extra-curricular success with Rock Challenge and various sporting events. We have also had visits from the Mayor, the Diocese and headteachers, teachers and governors from other schools - I have been very proud to show them our school at work and they have been very impressed with the positive attitudes to learning and the happy, productive atmosphere.

We wish you a very happy and peaceful Easter break. Term begins on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April. Our theme is *It's a Wonderful World* and our value is *Peace*.

Best wishes and Happy Easter,

*Caroline Moore*

Headteacher