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Dear Parents and Carers,

Problem Solving Workshops

The children enjoyed the problem solving workshops that came to school on Monday. They participated in various activities which required teamwork, logic and perseverance. It was interesting to see children bringing different skills and working together when trying out different strategies.

School start

There are some parents who seem to be still coming in to school at the start of the school day. It helps us and the children to have a much smoother, calmer start to the day if parents say goodbye to children on the playground. There are also the obvious safeguarding issues we have when parents start wandering into the school buildings - even if it is just the cloakrooms. Part of our progression in independence and social skills involves this important start to the school day. We do have an open-door policy and staff are accessible, albeit sometimes by appointment, but please help us by adhering to these rules. Thank you to all those parents who are already supporting the school (and children) in this matter. Mrs Ridout has contacted nursery parents separately about routines for this final term.

Staffing

Mrs Ridout, who has been at St Paul's for just over 13 years, is retiring from teaching at the end of this term. She is being replaced in the nursery by Ms Dale Franklin. Mrs Baker, who has worked with us for 16 years, will also be terminating her current contract but will be back to support us on a more flexible basis next year. I'm sure you will join us in thanking both Mrs Ridout and Mrs Baker for their hard work over the years and wish them well with the other opportunities that lie ahead for them.

Diary Dates

(new events highlighted)



June

- 16th - closing date for registration for academic testing (Y5)
Y5 value assembly
- 19th - Netball tournament
- 20th - FOSP meeting at Blackwells
- 22nd - Governor training
- 23rd - Y2 sharing assembly
- 26th - Choir singing assembly
- 28th - FS/KS1 Sports Day
Yrs 3&4 to the Sikh Gurdwara
- 29th - New reception intake meeting
- 30th - Y3 sharing assembly
St Paul's Got Talent

July

- 5th - KS2 Sports Day at Woodside
- 6th - Transition morning with new teachers
Kings Langley Secondary transition day
- 7th - Reception sharing assembly
- 10th - DHC Sports Event
- 11th - FOSP meeting
- 13th - Yrs 5&6 visit to Bhakitvedanta Manor
Open evening
Full Governors' Meeting
- 14th - New nursery intake meeting
Y6 sharing assembly
Dacorum Sports Award evening

Attached with this newsletter is a separate letter on staffing for next term; I am very pleased to be able to report that we are fully staffed for September.

Roadworks

I have been informed that there will be roadworks on Vicarage Lane, Kings Langley, for the next 4 weeks starting from next week. You may wish to take another route and should allow extra time if this affects you.

Lost Property

Our collection of lost property is growing at an increasing rate, as well as items being left all over school. Please take the time to check these items and take anything that belongs to your family as all unclaimed items will be disposed of next week.

FOSP News

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 8pm, at Blackwells. The next FOSP event planned is 'St Paul's Got Talent'. Application forms are available from the office. Parental permission must be sought to enter this competition. The deadline for application forms is Wednesday 21st June. Please ensure any music is handed in along with the entry form. Tickets for this popular event will go on sale next week, prices are £5 for adults and £2.50 for children available before and after school on the playground. There is no charge for children taking part.

Sports News

It has been a busy week for children in Year 6! The Hockey Team played in the district tournament on Tuesday and: won all their group stage matches; won in the semis and got through to the finals, where they were sadly beaten (with a penalty) by South Hill. The team showed excellent sportsmanship and honesty and were a super team because of their teamwork and communication. The Girls' Cricket team played in a tournament on Wednesday and played superbly, getting through to the semi-final after winning all 3 games. They were beaten by Greenway, who were a fabulous team! The girls had a lot of fun and showed determination when playing. All children who took part this week should be so proud of their achievements!

KS2 Production

Rehearsals have started and the singing is already sounding pretty impressive. Children may be bringing words of songs home to learn - please support them with this. Performances are the afternoon and evening of Tuesday 18th and the evening of Wednesday 19th July. Information regarding the purchase of tickets will be sent out nearer the time.

This Week's Attendance Figures:



Rec	Yr 2	Yr 5	Yr 1	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 6
100%	100%	100%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%

Overall school attendance: 99.9%



Bronze Award	Yr 1 - Rebecca F
Silver Award	
Gold Award	Yr 6 - Emily C
Headteacher's Award	
Headteacher's Trophy	Olivia and Evie (Y5) for having the courage and compassion to stand up and do the right thing. In so doing, they acted on the values upheld by St Paul's, helping out another child and showing great care and concern.

Coming up next week:

Monday 19 th June		Netball tournament at Cavendish
Tuesday 20 th June	8pm	FOSP meeting at Blackwells
Thursday 22 nd June	7pm	Governor training
Friday 23 rd June	2.45pm	Y2 sharing assembly

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Caroline Moore

Headteacher