

## Newsletter

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

### **Parents Evenings**

Thank you to all of the Parents who attended Parents Evenings this week. We hope that you enjoyed the opportunity to hear about your child's progress and look at their work.

### **Year 4 Arts Award Assembly**

During the Autumn Term, the Year 4 pupils completed a 'Keen to be Green' Arts Award project, linked to their learning about the Rainforest and the environment with a visiting artist. The children have earned an award for this project. On **Tuesday 5th March** at 10am you are invited to join us for a Special Assembly with the Civic Mayor, the councillor for culture, and the press. Please ensure that you have completed the School Spider survey to confirm that you are happy for your child to be photographed by the press.



### **Year 6 Visit from Safe Squad**



Last week, we had an amazing visit from Safe Squad where we learnt lots of important information. For instance, we learnt how to be safe in a fire and how to do CPR. As well as this, at the start of the day, we used remotes to show which social media platforms we used and discussed the legal age and how to stay safe if we use them. Finally, we learnt about misbehaviour like stealing from corner shops, bullying teachers in secondary school and making the wrong decisions. We watched a video, based on a true story, about hate crime.

By Casey

### **Learning this week**

**Year 4** have been busy in their computing lessons this week. They have learnt how to input data into spreadsheets and have then used this data to

create line graphs based on temperatures.

### **World Book Day**

Next **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** we will be celebrating World Book Day. If the children so wish, they can come to school dressed as a book character or they can come in comfy clothes or their school uniform to enjoy a good book and our amazing author visit. If your child has P.E on a Thursday, please consider the practicalities of them having to get changed as well as the fact that all children will still play outside on this day.

The day is about promoting a love of reading and each year the staff love having even more time allocated to remind the children of the encapsulating excitement of entering an imaginary world or feeding curiosity in a way that only reading can achieve. **If the children could bring their favourite book with them on the day to discuss and enjoy, this would be wonderful and help with planning activities.**

We are even more excited this year because author Curtis Jobling will be coming into school to inspire and entertain the children. If the children wish, they can bring £7 on the day to buy one of his books, which Curtis will sign. The books have a spooky element and are predominantly aimed at KS2. However, Curtis will be entertaining all children with age-appropriate talks.



### Nursery Provision

For September 2024, we can offer 30 funded hours for 3/4-year olds in a teacher led nursery. If you are not eligible for 30 funded hours we can provide afternoon sessions at a cost. For an application form or further information please speak to the school office staff.

### FOSP – Lenten Smarties Challenge

The Friends of St Paul's are organising a Smarties Challenge 'Good Deeds throughout Lent' to raise funds for equipment and resources required for the school. Thank you to those families who have already returned their tubes. All filled tubes need to be returned by **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024**. Don't forget all children who return tubes will be placed in a draw to win a fabulous Prize.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child is only bringing water in their bottle to school on a daily basis. An increasing number of pupils are bringing juice. Juice is fine if it forms part of the packed lunch, but must not be drunk at other times of the day. We ask that you support us with this healthy school's initiative. Thank you.

### Attendance & Punctuality

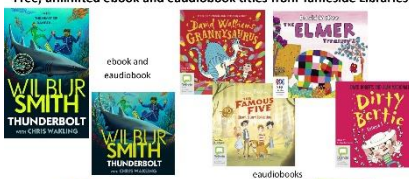
Congratulations to Nursery and Year 1 with the highest attendance and to Nursery once again for being the most punctual. We now ask that if your child arrives late to school (after 8.55am) that parents/carers take your child to the main office and you are required to sign them in with a reason for your late arrival.

<b>Attendance &amp; Punctuality for week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>									
	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Attendance	100%	94.48%	98%	91.11%	98%	96.25%	95.33%	96.13%	<b>96.16%</b>
No of Lates	0	1	3	3	3	10	6	2	

<b>Dates for your 2024 Diary</b>	
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year 4 Arts Award Assembly at 10am – Parents welcome
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year 2 Class Mass at 9am – Parents & Parishioners welcome
	TCSSA Annual Swimming Gala – evening
	Start of Science Week
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	TCSSA Cheerleading Competition – pm
	Sacrament of First Forgiveness at St Paul's Church at 7pm
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	FOSP Meeting at 5pm
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Class Photographs
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Start of Holy Week
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Return Date for filled Smarties Tubes
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>	FOSP – Spring Sing at 3.30pm
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year 3/4 present The Stations of the Cross – Parents welcome
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Break up for Easter Holidays
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Start of the Summer Term
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Year 4 Class Mass
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Year 5 Class Assembly
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Y3 Family Workshop – Sacramental Programme at 6pm
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	First Holy Communion – 9.30am at St Paul's Church
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Start of Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Start of Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks
	Start of Year 4 Multiplication Checks

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