



# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

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## Message from Mr Hulme

Another whirlwind term comes hurtling to the end, with a lot achieved during the past six weeks; including a visit from Ofsted. We are still waiting for the final report, which I will then share with you, but it is fantastic to see that children and staff are still putting everything in to achieving the very best – making it very clear that we don't do what we do, for Ofsted.



I have spoken to the children a lot this week about Rosabeth Moss Kanter's 6 principles of leadership: show up; speak up; look up; team up; never give up and help others up. I have been challenging them to think about how they can apply them to their own lives and their time at school. As a community, I feel there is so much we can learn from these and they encapsulate our school very well. We are a team, we all work hard for each other and do the very best for each other no matter at which stage we are at.

Much of my term has been spent speaking to parents about messages they have seen in the 'Whats App' groups; that have turned out not to be true. Can I please ask that you contact me or the School Office in the first instance to clarify any concerns or questions you may have? Whats App is not the place to moan or complain about what we do, a conversation with me can often ease your mind about something that has happened, rather than venting on Whats App and frustration turning to anger. Trust that the staff at school are doing the very best for your child and that decisions are made with justification in mind.

I wish you all a wonderful half term break. Take time to relax and unwind, if you can and enjoy your children. I know from my own experience that they do not stay little for long.

## Show and Share

It was great to see so many parents/carers joining us for Show and Share this afternoon – an opportunity to join your child in the classroom and look at what they have achieved over the term. After half term, we will be looking at our second whole class text of the year – a picture book of 'The Lion and the Mouse'. We will be hosting an exhibition on the first Friday back!

## PTA

Thanks to the PTA and volunteers for organising two fantastic discos for the school. It is so lovely to see the children really enjoying themselves and having a great time. Thanks also to the PTA for the Friday morning Coffee Shop. It was full this morning and lovely to



see so many parents/carers taking time out to share a coffee and conversation!

## Year 6 to Stag Theatre

At the Stag Theatre we all had a lot of fun. The man on the stage was full of energy and played lots of games with us. It was very lively as we joked about too! We all went on the stage and played a game about staying safe online. We talked about bombs on the internet and shields that protect us. Overall I enjoyed it very much. **Grace Goddard**



## Parent Workshop

Thank you to those parents/carers that attended Mr Harris' workshop 'It's OK to say No!'. This was an opportunity to think about how we can support our children as well as putting firm boundaries into place with social groups, technology and behaviour. Mr Harris is available in school on a Thursday if any parents wish to speak to him – please contact the School Office if you would like to meet with him.

## Celebration Assembly

Class	Values Champion	Writer of the Week	Mathlete of the Week
Birch	Teddy	Mason	Arthur
Oak	Amelia S	Taylah	Harry
Beech	Jayden	Maisie	Hanna
Maple	Grace	Daisy	Rajeev

## Attendance

Whole School Attendance: 97.03 %		
Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
Birch	98.67	0
Oak	98.67	0
Beech	97.88	0
Maple	93.94	20

## Letters sent this week

- Parent's Consultations, Y4 Museum of the Moon, Y6 Health and Well-Being

## Events

24.2.2020	Y4 Museum of the Moon, St. Paul's vs West Hill Girls Football @ St. Paul's
27.2.2020	Y6 French Lesson at Sevenoaks
28.2.2020	Clarinet Lesson Beech Class

Value of the Term: Expressive

'Life in all its fullness' John (10:10)