

# St. Paul's C.E. Primary School (Crompton Street - Walkden) NEWSLETTER

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely Easter break. We are looking forward to a busy, enjoyable summer term in school and would like to give you some of the further details below.

Please have a look at the section of the website [www.stpaulscrompton.org.uk](http://www.stpaulscrompton.org.uk) to see some of the things that the children in school enjoyed during the last half term and keep up to date with what's happening in school in our latest events section.

## **Football**

As the football season ended, our football team had played a number of games, (winning some and reaching the final of the Year 6 Worsley cup!) and have shown great sportsmanship and played well as a team. Well done to all the children who took part in the team. Thank you also to Mr McCarthy for his support with the team. Well done to Noah Evans who has recently been signed to a contract to play for Burnley Football Club under 9s team.

## **Curriculum linked Workshops**

History themed workshops are ongoing in school with outreach from the Touchstones Museum in Rochdale. Year 3 enjoyed an Ancient Greek Workshop yesterday.

## **Year 6 Media workshops**

Many thanks to Walkden High who are providing street Media workshops for Year 6 over the next few weeks.

## **Swimming Gala**

Well done to all the children who took part in the swimming gala last week. The children were amazing in their swimming and sportsmanship and were a credit to themselves and school. We had children in the finals of 14 of the 16 events they took part in, with Rohan Wordsworth winning the Year 4 backstroke race. Well done Rohan! We are really proud of them all. Well done! Many thanks also to Mrs Pickup and Mrs Seddon who did a fantastic job of making sure the children were ready for their events.

## **Week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week**

SATs week for Year 6 begins on Monday. Please can I ask that you ensure that your child is in school and on time every day as the timetable is set for us during this week.

Year 6 children are invited to arrive at school at 8.15am when they can share breakfast together in a calm manner in readiness for each day. The children really enjoy this time and it ensures there is limited pressure on them with a fun, calm start to the day.

Could I please ask for your continued support in ensuring that your child goes to bed early during this week. The children are as prepared as they can be and will, as always just be encouraged to do their best, without additional pressure. To reflect all the hard work the children have done, we feel they deserve the best opportunity to allow them to perform as well as they can. Many thanks for your cooperation.

### **Life Education Unit**

Children across school enjoyed a visit from the life education Unit to support their learning in science, PHSCE, health and well being. A revised curriculum for PHSCE is currently being introduced in school.

### **Social Media and children**

Please can I ask following a recent report from the children's commissioner, that careful consideration is given before you allow your children to access social media sites, such as Instagram, facebook, youtube, musically, x-box live, as just a few examples. There are currently 127 different social media sites! The age requirement for all these sites are 13+ and children, although enjoying using them, can also run into difficulties and do not have the maturity to understand that less positive things are also associated with these sites. Our ongoing and specific half termly e-safety sessions deal with some of these issues, however they are none the less distressing for children, as the report details, if issues arise online.

### **E-safety sessions**

Many thanks to the parents who attended the recent E-safety update sessions. Thanks to Mr O'Reilly for his training during these sessions.

### **Library**

Since February half term we have been opening the school library from 3.30-4pm every evening to allow parents to come and select books with their children for home use. There has been limited use of this, so please can I encourage you to come and have a look at our well stocked library and take advantage of borrowing some of the new (and older!) books that we have in school for home reading. If the use does not increase we will unfortunately have to stop the library being open at this time.

### **Rounders Tournament – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

10 children from Year 5/6 will be taking part in a rounders tournament on the afternoon of Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Worsley Athletics – Tuesday 23rd May.**

Dates for your diary – Selected children in KS2 will be invited to represent school at these events. More details will be sent nearer the time.

### **Bedding Plant Sale – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

If any parents or friends did not place an order for plants, there will be extra plants available to buy during the remainder of that week.

### **Half term**

Please note that our half term holiday will begin on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May and children will return to school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Parking around school**

Many thanks to all the parents who have respected the parking around school. I really appreciate your support as the area around St Paul's Road before school is definitely safer. Please can I ask for your continued cooperation with this. Many thanks again.

### **Extra Curricular Activities**

Extra-curricular clubs have begun again. Many thanks to the staff who are providing these opportunities for the children in school.

With thanks for your support as always in school and we look forward to continuing working together.

Kind regards

Yvette Sullivan  
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