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What A Year!



I can't believe that I am writing the last newsletter of this year. How quickly it seems to have gone! It is perhaps a time to step back and appreciate what the children have achieved since their return to school: having the opportunity to be with their friends, play, learn and smile: essentially bringing the school back to life and making the most of every opportunity.

We have been on trips galore and had lots of interesting visitors into school. We have all taken part in a whole school production, have danced at the disco, been to GL1 to develop our swimming and gymnastic skills, swung on the giant swing at PGL, been treated to a trip to Cattle Country by the Rotary Club, visited the local Mosque, celebrated our Christian festivals at Church, showcased our amazing writing, and so much more (as Phase Blogs will testify). 😊

It has also been lovely to have families back in school and joining us for community events such as the Summer Fayre. We look forward to having lots more events in school next year and seeing both familiar and new parents alike.

As Acting Head of School, I have been extremely grateful to and proud of, the children of St Paul's. They are a joy and an inspiration and make all our efforts worthwhile. They make me smile every day! I would like to also thank all the staff who continue to go 'above and beyond' to make a difference to all the children in their care. They are diligent, caring, hard-working, creative, supportive and enthusiastic and go a long way to making St Paul's the special, unique place that it is. We are also grateful to our Governors, who have worked continuously behind the scenes providing support.

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all parents and carers. We couldn't do all of this without your amazing support. Your continued involvement with your child's learning is invaluable and the staff at St Paul's look forward to working with you again next year.

For those families who will be ending their adventure at St Paul's, thank you for letting us get to know your children. It has been a truly memorable experience and we will miss them next year, but wish them lots of luck in their new schools.

Have a peaceful, happy and healthy summer break and we look forward to seeing you all again on **Wednesday 7th September 2022.**

Kind regards,

Jayne Bevan

School Uniform

Please remember that all children should be in the correct uniform in September. We sent a reminder letter in March regarding uniform. Thank you to all who supported us in this regard. When buying new school shoes, please make sure they are black. (Plain black trainers without logos are ok but they should be bringing another pair of trainers for PE). Details of our uniform can be found on our school website [St Paul's C of E Primary School - Uniform \(st-pauls.gloucs.sch.uk\)](http://st-pauls.gloucs.sch.uk)

Keeping Safe Online

Keeping young people safe online can seem like a daunting task but having a conversation about ways to keep safe is a great start. No one is an expert in the internet as it is moving at such a fast pace. At the beginning of this six week off, why not sit down and create a family agreement with your family at home for how to use their digital devices this holidays. Below are also some useful tips on how you can keep your family safe online.

Supporting, setting up and implementing the 4 D's at home is a good idea but pick your battles and be realistic:

- **Digital free zones** – keep technology out of bedrooms if we can, maybe use it in a family room, identify early on where technology is not allowed in the house, flat etc.
- **Digital role models** – parents and carers lead by example online and with digital usage
- **Digital sunset** – ideally young people need to come away from technology 1 hour before they go to sleep, but pick your battles. What time do you think is appropriate for your children to come away from technology to get a good night's sleep. <https://twitter.com/qustodio/status/1506252473857622017>
- **Digital detox** – as a family try a gadget free day or hour. Try no technology after 6pm or a certain time, have break before breakfast or in the morning, can dinner tables be digital free zones and have a break and time out over dinner. <https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/91715/school-routine-clock/>

For more ideas and guides to setting up parental controls have a look at this site: <https://www.safewise.com/resources/internet-safety-kids/>

Why not guide your child to the CEOP website below where they can play some games, earn badges and learn more about staying safe online. It is gauged at children 4 -18 years old. <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>



Goodbye and Good Luck

We have looked back in our final assembly today at all the memorable events we have done over the year (which ran into quite a list!) And we couldn't have done any of them without our wonderful team of staff at St Paul's. We are sadly saying goodbye to Mr Flower, Mrs Tregoning, Mrs Potts, Mrs Casanove, Mrs Casey and Mrs Cook (who has resigned on the grounds of ill health and advice from her doctor) and Mrs Sherborne-Locke who is leaving on maternity leave. We will greatly miss all of these lovely people and wish them all the best for the future.

STARS OF THE WEEK FOR 27th June

Phase 1 Earth Nahla

Phase 1 Water Bartosz J

Phase 2 Air Micaiah

Phase 2 Earth Kendall

Phase 2 Water Fatimah

Phase 3 Earth Davis

Phase 3 Water Riley R



Well done everyone!

STARS OF THE WEEK FOR 8th July



Phase 1 Earth Sarah for being kind to all.

Phase 1 Water Toby for including others.

Phase 2 Air Pauls for supporting others in his team playing rounders.

Phase 2 Earth Michael for being a caring friend.

Phase 2 Water Jecoliah for always being observant in the playground with her friends.

Phase 3 Earth Davis for being a great friend.

Phase 3 Water Eric for being just amazing!

Well done everyone!