



St Paul's
Primary School

YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 1- January 2025

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year from the Year 5 team- we hope you had a fantastic break with a chance to relax and spend time with loved ones. After the excitement and busyness of the end of last term, we are looking forward to getting back to school and into routine.

Key dates this half term

Thursday 16th January- Curriculum Enrichment Day

This is an exciting day we run each year, where the children take part in special workshops and are off-timetable for the day. More details will be shared over the coming weeks.

Monday 27th January- St. Paul's Week

This includes a service led by Year 2 in the Church at 10am on Thursday 30th January.

Tuesday 11th February- Safer Internet Day

Thursday 13th February- **Last day of half term**

Friday 14th February- **INSET DAY- School closed to pupils**

Learning this half term

Please see the attached curriculum overview for more detailed information about learning this half term.

Physical Education

Your child should have a suitable PE kit in school for this half term. We will be doing Gymnastics inside so children must have an indoor kit of black shorts and a white t-shirt in school, along with plimsolls or non-marking sports trainers in case of walking between sites. Please ensure any earrings are removed on PE days.

Reading Records

Now we are back for a new term, children should be straight backing into home and school reading. Please ensure you are reading with your child at least once a week and recording in the reading record. This is vital to develop your child's inference skills and fluency.

Last term there were unfortunately many times where children were not recording their reading or showing evidence of reading with an adult at home- this is something that is monitored closely.

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Please ensure you are checking your child is bringing their record to school every day and bringing it home. Reading is essential for the development of many skills and is also an enjoyable experience.

Thank you to those who are regularly reading with their child and communicating this in reading records. If you need any advice or support with reading with your child at home, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Homework

Maths and Spelling homework will be sent home on the Friday of each week (except during school holidays). All homework is due back on Tuesday. Your child should keep their homework in the purple folder provided last year. Spelling homework requires a parent signature. Maths homework should be completed in pencil in the small red exercise book provided.

If you have any further questions, you can contact us via the school office or speak to us briefly once we have dismissed our class at the end of the day.

Thank you, and we are looking forward to another half term working with you and your child!

Mrs Little and Miss James.

Year 5 class teachers

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