









Friday 28th June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Military Kids' Club Four of the children from our Military Kids' Club represented us at the British Armed Forces and Veterans' week event at the Citadel yesterday. They were a credit and it was an honour to accompany them.

On Thursday Katherine, Lohan, Daniel & myself went to the Citadel with Mrs Potterton & Mr Wilcocks. The children did obstacle courses and learned how to survive in nature. We had a lot of fun and we also had the opportunity to hold different types of guns. By Abigale Y5









St Peter and St Paul feast day celebrations We are looking forward to welcoming our families this afternoon for our picnic lunch, Mass and summer fair. We hope many of you are able to stay following the picnic lunch to help the FOSP committee set up the summer fair before Mass begins. It promises to be a beautiful afternoon.

Classes for 2019-20 Information about your child's new class is being sent out with this newsletter. Teaching teams will be working closely together to prepare all children for transition into their new class. Transition days for new year 1-6 classes will take place on

Thursday 18th July and Friday 19th July. Where necessary, Mrs Mullett is organising enhanced transition for children who require more preparation for the change of class ahead of the usual transition days.

International School Award We were thrilled to be presented with our international school award this week from a representative of the British Council. This was recognition of the work St Paul's have done over the past two years with our link schools in Uganda and France. Additionally, our work linked to different cultures across the globe.



Mayflower Storytelling We are really excited to have a storyteller visiting school on Monday 1st July at 2pm who is going to share the history of the Mayflower with year 1 - 6 and their parents and family. It would be lovely to have as many parents and family join us for this special event. We hope to see you there.

Annual reports We hope you have enjoyed reading your child's annual report. There is an optional parent consultation evening available this Monday 1st July for any parents who would like to discuss their child's report in more detail.



Sports day Our new date is Friday 5th July, morning only. This event will be for the whole school. Please be aware that any decision to cancel sports day due to weather will only be taken at 8.30am on the day, unless the weather is very obviously unsuitable. Please do not post requests for information on Facebook - we will make an announcement at the agreed time. Thank you for your understanding.

Parking Unfortunately, a small number of our parents are persisting in parking on our school lane, putting all children at risk. We are working with the police and the council to take action to remove this risk. In the meantime, if you have been forced off the pavement

by inconsiderate parking or put at risk by dangerous driving please report car registrations to the school office.

Some of our families have been using the church car park at drop off and pick up times. Fr Petroc and I would like to emphasise that the church car park is **not** to be used at these times. The church car park leads directly to the Bishop's Walkway - the safe path leading up to school which will reopen when the gate has been removed. We cannot guarantee the safety of our children if cars are accessing this area before and after school. Please work with us to keep our children safe.

Dogs Please remember that dogs are not allowed on our school site; this includes dogs in arms. We ask that everyone meets this expectation to avoid the embarrassment of being asked to leave the school site. Thank you for your support with this.

Parish Summer Fayre Reminder: The parish summer draw with BBQ and cream teas will be held on Saturday 6 July at Holy Family garden from 1.00pm. Draw tickets are available at the back of each church for the summer draw and there will be a raffle and a bric-a-brac table. Please come and support our local parish.

School ambassadors Reminder: We are introducing a new role at St Paul's. From September, there will be four pupil ambassadors in each of the KS2 classes (years 3-6). School ambassadors will take part in a 'meet and greet' rota each morning and will be responsible for leading tours for visitors. They will work alongside the School Council and prefects to ensure that children at St Paul's are safe, happy and learning. School ambassadors will wear an easily identifiable hat when they are on duty. If your child will be in years 3-6 next year and would like to apply to be a school ambassador they should write a letter explaining what they would bring to this role. School ambassadors will need to commit to having attendance above 97% and to being punctual. They must dress smartly in line with our uniform expectations and they must commit to consistently good behaviour. Letters of application should be addressed to Mrs Potterton. All applications must be received by 5th July. I have already received some wonderful applications!

In year 1 we have been very busy with our wonderful learning. We have been innovating our story of The Rainbow Fish and have writing our own version, they are amazing! We have started to look at money in maths and recognising coins. This is very tricky but we are working hard with our learning. We are excited to start creating our shoebox aguariums that we have been able to design this week. We have also been working hard to learn lots about the world that we live in and the animals that we would find.

> Please join us for whole school liturgy on Monday 1st July at 9:00am in the school hall. Tea and coffee available in the canteen from 8:45am.

> > Next week's Gospel theme:

Peter: The Rock Matthew 16: 13-19

Jesus said: I tell you, you are Peter. And on this Rock I will build My church



and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it

Dear Jesus, you helped Peter and Paul to make good and wise decisions. Please help our Pope and all the leaders of the Church to make good and wise decisions for us too. Amen

Dates for calendar (newly released dates highlighted in yellow):

Friday 28th June 12.00pm Family picnic lunch on the school field; 2.00pm - Feast of St Peter and St Paul Mass followed by Summer Fair at 3.15pm

Saturday 29th June Junior Field Gun Crew at Armed Forces Day Monday 1st July 2 - 3 pm Mayflower story telling session for years 1-6. Family and friends are invited.

Friday 5th July 5pm/6.15pm - Summer Disco

Thursday 11th July 2.00-3.00pm CAST Schools Year 6 Leavers' Mass at The Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Boniface, Cecil Street

Wednesday 17th July - Year 6 Leavers' Day

Thursday 18th July & Friday 19th July - Transition Days

Tuesday 3rd September New school year begins Tuesday 24th September and Wednesday 25th September Parent consultation evenings 18th October - October Half Term Disco

29th November - Christmas Fair - 5pm - 7pm

With very best wishes Mrs Dawn Potterton Head Teacher head@stpaulsplymouth.com

