

# BENDISH LANE BUZZ

**THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ST PAUL'S WALDEN SCHOOL, WHITWELL, 26TH OCT 2018**

## Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope that you all had a great half term break. We have enjoyed hearing about all the things that you have been up to.

## NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS!

You will find the following items in this newsletter:

- Anti- bullying week
- Children in Need
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## Anti-Bullying Week 2018

Next week is Anti-Bullying week all children will be looking at respecting each other which is this year's theme. As part of our anti-bullying week we will asking children to take part in the "Odd Sock" day on Tuesday by coming into school with odd socks if they wish.

## Children in Need 2018

We are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November, we would like all children to wear something spotty! All children will be asked for a £1 donation should they wish to take part.

## Parents' Evening

Please ensure that you sign up for next week's parents' evenings, the sign-up sheets are located in the school reception area.

During parents' evenings, Margaret and Mrs Joyce will be asking you to check and update your child's details on our database as you arrive at school, as we are no longer advised to send these sheets home with pupils in order to comply with the new GDPR regulations.

## Before and After School Clubs Timetable Autumn Term 2018

<b>Monday</b>	8.00am Tennis Club 3.15-4.30pm Stay & Play 3.30-4.30pm Football Training (Yr 3-6)
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.00am Apex Street Dance Club 3.15-4.30pm Arts and Crafts Club 3.25-4.25pm Netball Club (Yr 2-6)
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.00am Trampolining Club 3.30-4.30pm Gymnastics Club
<b>Thursday</b>	8.00am Basketball Club 3.15-4.30pm Athletics Club
<b>Friday</b>	8.00am Art with Mindfulness 3.25-4.25pm Multi Sports Club

## Achievements Out of School

If your child has any certificates or accomplishments that you would like to share please bring them into the school office and we will give them a special mention in the newsletter.

## Gold Book Certificates

We would like to say a big well done to:

Robin

Zia

For achieving a gold book certificate this week.

## Mathletics Gold and Silver Certificates

Well done to the following children who achieved their Gold and Silver certificates.

Lilly S - Silver

Hunter - Silver

## Star of The Week

The children being the stars in Monday's assembly on 5<sup>th</sup> November are:

Willows – Hunter

Rowans - Elloise

Silver Birches – Arthur

Oaks – Lucy

The children will get an opportunity to say a few words about what they are good at or what they enjoy either inside or outside of school. The children are welcome to bring a prop or certificate if appropriate.

## PTA

Look out for the list about what you can bring in to help support the Christmas fair. Please contact the PTA if you think that you would be able to help organise the event.

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Best wishes

**Nancy Adshead**  
**Headteacher**

### **Attendance**

Our attendance this week is 96% - well done everyone!

Please note children should be at school between 8.50am-9.00am where they can take part in early morning learning. Registration is at 9.00am, and registers close at 9.15am. Doors into school and the Willows gate are both locked at 9.00am. If your child arrives after 9.00am, please sign your child in at the school office. Please endeavour to get children to school promptly.

### **Snack at Break Time**

If you are in KS2 and bring in a snack at break please ensure that it is fruit only. The children are not allowed to bring in chocolate covered dried fruit or cakes and biscuits containing fruit. It must be either a piece of fruit, vegetables or plain dried fruit.

### **Lunch Boxes**

If your child brings in a packed lunch then please ensure it does not contain sweets or fizzy drinks of any kind. I am sure that you all appreciate it is important that we are encouraging the children to have a healthy diet and lifestyle. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that we are a nut free school and that Nutella in Sandwiches is not allowed due to the children that we have and their allergies.

### **Milk**

If you would like your child to have milk at school, please register at [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com).

### **Parent View**

Your views are important to both us and Ofsted. We would appreciate if you would record your support for our school at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

### **Communication**

In order that the appropriate person can deal with any queries you may have in the most timely and efficient manner, please direct all general enquiries to the school office by telephone on 01438 871241 or email: [admin@stpaulswalden.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stpaulswalden.herts.sch.uk). This should include any absence notifications, pupil collection or pick up information, absence requests and details of medical appointments.

Please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance if you need to speak about your child's learning or happiness at school.

Thank you for taking the time to read our newsletter.

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## ST PAUL'S WALDEN SCHOOL - Diary Dates Autumn Term 2018

Monday	12	November	4.00-6.00pm	Parent Consultations
Wednesday	14	November	4.00-7.00pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday	15	November	2.45pm	Oaks Class Assembly
Friday	16	November		Children in Need Day
Thursday	22	November	2.45pm	Silver Birches Class Assembly <b>(NB date change)</b>
Tuesday	27	November		KS2 football tournament - TBC
Thursday	29	November	2.45pm	Willows Class Assembly <b>(NB date change)</b>
Saturday	1	December		Christmas Fair
Monday	3	December	2:45	Christingle Service at school <b>(NB date change)</b>
Thursday	6	December	5.15pm	PTA Christmas Film Night
Thursday	6 -8	December		Village Panto
Wednesday	12	December	9.00am	KS1 dress rehearsal
Wednesday	12	December	2.00pm	KS1 performance
Friday	14	December		Choir singing at Sue Ryder
Friday	14	December		Christmas Jumper Day
Saturday	15	December		Emily's Tea Shop Xmas Fair
Sunday	16	December		Carol Service at St Pauls Walden Church
Tuesday	18	December	6.30pm	KS2 Sing-a-long
Thursday	20	December		Christmas Lunch
Thursday	20	December	2.00pm	End of Term
Friday	21	December		Occasional Day–School closed
Tuesday	8	January 2019		First day of Spring term
Tuesday	22	January	3:45-5:45	Indoor Athletics KS2
Thursday	7	March	9:30-12:30	Netball tournament KS2
Friday	15	March		Red Nose Day
Mon - Thurs	13-16	May		SATs Week KS2

In addition to the above dates, we would also like to warmly welcome parents and grandparents to attend our weekly Celebration Assemblies on Thursdays at 2.45pm.

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## St Paul's Walden School

### TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19

#### Autumn Term 2018

Last Day of Term: Thursday 20 December at 2.00pm  
Occasional Day closure: Friday 21 December

#### Spring Term 2019

Staff Inset Training Day: Monday 7 January  
School starts for pupils: Tuesday 8 January  
Inset Day: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February **New Date**  
Half-Term: Monday 18 to Friday 22 February  
Last Day of Term: Friday 5 April at 2.00pm

#### Summer Term 2019

School starts for pupils: Tuesday 23 April  
Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May  
Half-Term: Monday 27 to Friday 31 May  
Last Day of Term: Wednesday 24 July at 2.00pm

*The school office will usually be open on Staff Training Days but check the current newsletter for confirmation. However, members of the teaching staff will not generally be available.*

*These dates have been fixed in consultation with the Pre-School. We will endeavour to keep these dates fixed but occasionally new or unavoidable circumstances could arise which would mean that a training day or the "occasional day" has to be rescheduled. Such decisions are not taken lightly and any such change will be communicated to all families in good time.*