

# ST PAUL'S WALDEN NEWS



THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM ST PAUL'S WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## A MESSAGE FROM MRS ADSHEAD

I would like to thank everyone for your continued support and help keeping our school community safe in these difficult times.

We are all looking forward to December and being able to do some of our normal events in a very different way! Pupils will be allowed to bring in Christmas cards for their friends between Tuesday 2nd December and Monday 14th December. We will be quarantining the cards for 72 hours before distributing them. Pupils will be making placemats as normal and Christmas cards and decorations in school. We will be storing all items for 72 hours before sending them home with the pupils at the end of term, ensuring that we keep everyone as safe as possible.

Christmas lunch will be held on Thursday 17th December, please ensure that you visit Live Kitchen to book your child a Christmas dinner. <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2F>

We are also taking part in Christmas jumper day so please check out our school calendar on the website to see what is going to be happening. You can access the calendar by clicking on the link underneath the events calendar, if you then click on an event you will be able to read more about it.

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# LAST DAY OF TERM

On the last day of term we will be staggering the times that the classes are leaving to ensure that we are following the guidance, Please see below, the time when your child needs to be collected from school:

Willows - 1:20pm

Rowans - 1:30pm

Silver Birches - 1:40pm

Oaks - 1:50pm

We will ensure that siblings are ready to go home with their younger siblings so that we can minimise the number of people at the gates at any one time.

Should you have any queries around this please contact the school office.

# SCHOOL UNIFORM

We would like to remind everyone that we expect our pupils to wear the correct footwear in school, trainers are not acceptable unless they are taking part in PE that day. Should you have any issues with your child wearing school shoes then please contact the school office and we may be able to assist you in purchasing shoes for your child.

There are lots of jumpers being worn by the children that are not part of the school uniform and we would like to remind everyone that even during PE the expectation is that the pupils need to wear either a school fleece, school jumper or a school cardigan.

Any pupil with hair that reaches the bottom of their collar is expected to have their hair tied up please.

During the current guidance and restrictions in school we also request that pupils only bring in items that are essential and that these items are brought in a book bag. Pupils are not allowed and do not need to bring a rucksack into school. Pupils only need to bring a water bottle, a reading book, their planner and a lunch box if they are having a packed lunch for dinner.

Pupils in Key Stage 2 may bring in a piece of fruit or a vegetable to eat as a snack at playtime, they must not bring in other items of food to school.

Here is the link to our school uniform page on the website where you will find information about the expectations and a link to Beats School Uniform shop.

<https://www.stpaulswalden.herts.sch.uk/parents/uniform>



# GOLDEN TICKETS!



We are very happy to share the pupils who have achieved 10 gold cards! Well done (Silver Birches) Leia, Jack H, Nathan, Sami, Joseph, (Rowans) Matthew, and (Oaks) Eva. We are very proud of your hard work and commitment to your learning.

There are lots of pupils who are only a few cards away, so don't give up, if you have already achieved a ticket you can always earn another! The totals are carried over from one half term to the next and only reset at the end of the academic year.

Mrs Adshead is looking forward to giving out many more tickets in the coming weeks!



# WONDERFUL HOMEWORK!

We are very proud of the efforts from the pupils when completing their homework, we hope that you enjoy looking at it as much as we have!

## ROWANS!

### Fun things to do in lockdown

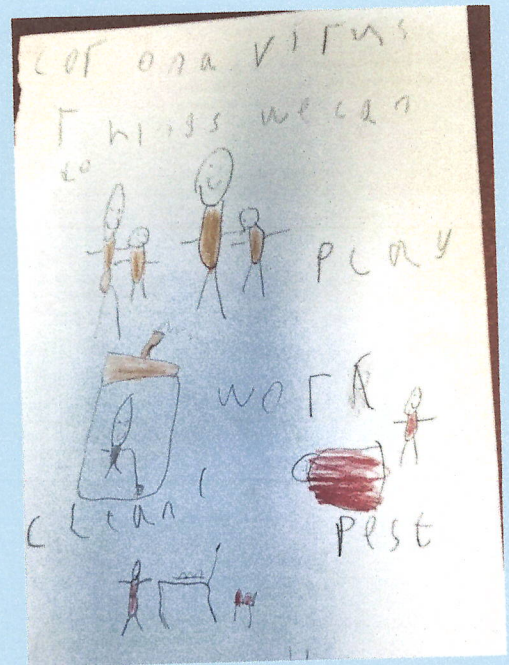


Football is very fun to play together.

I like cycling because I get muddy.



Chess is good to play because it's hard to win.



## SILVER BIRCHES!

### States of Matter

**Solids**

- A solid keeps its shape
- You can cut and carve it
- You can hold a solid
- Solid particles are packed tight together

**Liquids**

- Liquids stay the shape of the container when they are held
- It is hard to hold a liquid
- The volume stays the same in a liquid

**Gas**

- Air is a gas
- You can't see a gas
- You can add gas to drinks to make them fizzy like cola

**Illustrations:**

- A car (labeled 'A car')
- A mobile phone (labeled 'A mobile')
- A cup of water (labeled 'A cup of water')
- Two balloons (labeled 'A helium balloon')

### Loch Ness Monster

The Loch Ness Monster lives in Loch Ness, in Scotland. The Loch Ness Monster is called Nessie. Nessie likes to eat fish in the loch.

Nessie is very long and has four flippers.

Nessie is dark green with light green spots.

Not many people have seen Nessie because she swims really fast and dives very deep. Some people don't believe in Nessie but I do!



# TERM DATES 2020/2021

## Autumn Term 2020

**School starts:** Thursday 3rd September  
**Half Term:** **Monday 26th to Friday 30th October**  
**Last day of term:** Friday 18th December **finishing at 2pm**  
**Occasional Day:** **Monday 23rd November**  
**Inset Days:** Wednesday 2nd September & Friday 20th November

## Spring Term 2021

**School starts:** Tuesday 5th January  
**Half Term:** **Monday 15th to Friday 19th February**  
**Last day of term:** Thursday 26th March **finishing at 2pm**  
**Inset Days:** Monday 4th January

## Summer Term 2021

**School starts:** Tuesday 13th April  
**Half Term:** **Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June**  
**Last day of term:** Wednesday 21st July **finishing at 2pm**  
**Inset Days:** Monday 12th April & Thursday 22nd July  
**Bank Holiday:** **Monday 3rd May**

# CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

For general enquiries, report of an absence or to inform the school of pupil collection arrangements please contact the school office by email : [admin@stpaulswalden.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stpaulswalden.herts.sch.uk) or telephone on: 01438 871241. The office is open between the hours of 8:30am and 4pm during term time only.