

ST PAUL'S WALDEN NEWS



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



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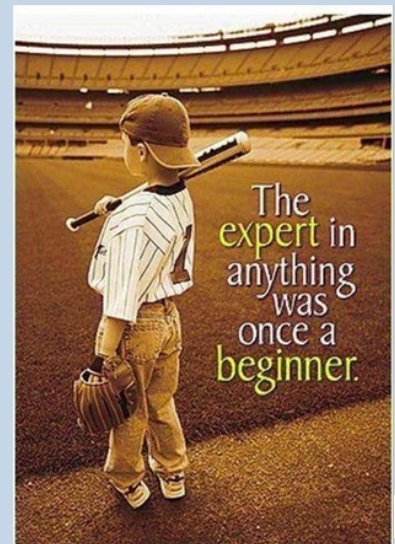
A MESSAGE FROM MRS ADSHEAD

As the British weather is very variable I would kindly request that pupils remember to bring a rain coat to school if it is likely to rain. We believe that it is important for the children to be able to go outside regardless of the weather.

Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to school every day as it is important that they stay hydrated, this also supports concentration in lessons.

We have all enjoyed being able to help keep our school environment looking great and it is a good way to support our well-being. Each class has spent time in the kitchen garden area or around the school learning about the environment, food production and the benefits that this has on our lives. It has been great to see the school being able to use the rhubarb from the kitchen garden and we look forward to the strawberries ripening!

Remember!



POND

Our pond area was in desperate need of renewal, it was built by parents many years ago and has not been emptied as far as we are aware since it was installed. The pond was carefully emptied and any wildlife was carefully extracted and placed into a tank next to the pond. We hope that the redevelopment of the pond area will encourage more wildlife to return to the pond now it is not completely overgrown. We are amazed by the results and are all looking forward to the next stage developing the area around the pond.



LEARNING IN THE WILLOWS

The children in the Willows have been enjoying looking at the seaside and summer. They have come up with some great ways to explore the resources. We all hope that the sun returns soon along with the ice cream van!



LEARNING IN THE ROWANS

The children in the Rowans are learning about different habitats and worked hard to produce their own. Can you guess which habitat they are?



LEARNING IN THE OAKS

Oaks have started a new topic this half term which is Ancient Sumer. Pupils created a topic page to begin their learning journey, before researching inventions which changed history. Here are some examples of their work.

Sumerian people changed history by inventing...

Mass-Produced pottery, the Chariot, Metallurgy, the Plow, Hydraulic Engineering, Textile Mills, Writing, Mass-produced bricks and Mathematics.

Without some of these inventions the whole country would be different.

Some more genius inventions are...

- The wheel
- The sail
- Tive Arch
- Cities
- Maps
- Irrigation and farming implements
- Medicinal drugs and surgery
- Astronomy
- Astrology
- Time

Sumerians were also famous for being the first to use copper. They started extracting and working with it around 5000-6000 years ago (3000-4000BC).

Sumerians were also inventors of some ancient weapons made with copper (first used by them) and bronze. This started at around the same time. They made axes and swords.

Ancient Sumer was where board games started too.

Ancient SUMER.

Ancient Sumer invented Maths.

What I Know:

- Nothing

What I want to Know:

- Do the ancient sumers have multiple Gods?
- Where did the Sumerians originally come from?
- What was their language of speaking?
- Do Sumerians still exist?
- What did the ancient Sumerians invent?
- What Materials did they make their structures from?

One of their Structures

Sumer flag

Tuesday 15th June

QA: What did people from Ancient Sumer invent?

1. Mass-produced pottery.
2. Writing.
3. Hydraulic engineering.
4. The chariot
5. The plow.
6. Textile mills.
7. Mass-produced bricks
8. Metallurgy.
9. Mathematics
10. Clocks

The Sumerians invented many things including writing and mathematics (the list goes on...). Many of these things have benifitted our lives hugely (for example clocks tell us time to help us schedule our day). Other inventions include, the plow; a device used to churn up the soil and metallurgy.

Ancient Sumer

ancient SUMER

What I already know

Nothing

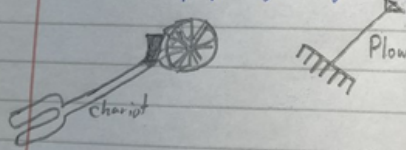
What I want to know

What did they eat?
Where did they live?
What things did they wear?
What God/Gods did they believe in?

Tuesday 15th June

Q: What did people from Ancient Sumer invent?

The 9 things that they invented is: ^{mass-produced} Mass-Produced pottery, writing, Hydraulic engineering, chariots, plows, textile mills, ^{mass-produced} Mass-Produced bricks, metallurgy, and maths. They were the first people to mass produce pottery using the pottery turning wheel. They were the first known civilisation to have a form of writing/secret system. They were also the first to collect silt and clay and they spread it over their crop as fertilisers. They didn't invent 2 wheeled vehicles, but, they were ~~the~~ probably the first to invent a 2 wheeled vehicle ^{powered} by animals. They were the first people to cultivate their fields. They were the first to invent textile mills, where they weave clothes and other things. Also the first to mass-produce bricks, made of clay using molds. They were the first to use metal for a weapon purpose like spear and axe heads. Last but not least, maths. Others ~~could~~ would use methods such as putting notches into bones but they were the first to make a proper system for numbers. ~~It went all the way to 60.~~



What I want to know
What was their lifestyle?
What did they do?

ANCIENT

SUMER

aspects
with bridge
Ancient
Sumer

What I know
Sumer doesn't
exist anymore
and it's a
period of time

Tuesday 15th June 2021

Q: What did people from Ancient Sumer invent?

Mass-produced Pottery:

Mass-produced pottery is pottery where the Sumerians used a pottery turning wheel for the first time. This made making pottery easier.

Writing:

By 2800BC, the Sumerians had already been using writing. This (obviously) helped them send others letters or mark words on pottery.

Hydraulic Engineering

Hydraulic Engineering is saving water. This then goes forward to watering plants and crops.

The Chariot

Although the Sumerians didn't invent four wheeled vehicles, they did invent the (two wheeled) chariot.

The Plow

The plow is used for farming. It is still used today, but is modified.

Textile Mills

TERM DATES 2020/2021

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**

TERM DATES 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021

School starts: Thursday 2nd September
Half Term: **Monday 25th to Friday 29th October**
Last day of term: Tuesday 21st December **finishing at 2pm**
Occasional Day: **Monday 22nd November**
Inset Days: Wednesday 1st September & Friday 19th November

Spring Term 2022

School starts: Thursday 6th January
Half Term: **Monday 14th to Friday 18th February**
Last day of term: Friday 1st April **finishing at 2pm**
Inset Days: Wednesday 5th January

Summer Term 2022

School starts: Wednesday 20th April
Half Term: **Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June**
Last day of term: Friday 22nd July **finishing at 2pm**
Inset Days: Tuesday 19th April & Monday 6th June
Bank Holiday: **Monday 2nd 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 or telephone on: 01438 871241.

The office is open between the hours of 8:30am and 4pm during term time only.

HCC UPDATE

The Public Health team at Hertfordshire County Council has asked us to share the following information with you.

Firstly, we want to thank you for all you are doing to play your part and help protect your school community – you're all doing an amazing job. As we head towards the end of the academic year, let's work together to reduce the number of cases in our nurseries, schools and colleges and make sure less children will need to learn remotely.

We're now at a crucial time in our fight against coronavirus. In line with yesterday's Government announcement we're asking everyone to not drop your guard just yet – Covid-19 is still here.

There are simple things you can do right now to continue to protect yourself, your family and your school community:

Remember hands, face, space, fresh air – each school may have different rules around face coverings, but everyone aged over 11 should be wearing a face covering when in indoor venues. If you can still meet outside do

Testing – students in year 7 and above are being provided with a free, regular supply of rapid tests and they should continue to take these twice a week. Parents and carers of children in nursery, school or college should also take regular rapid tests along with the rest of the community, by doing this we can all help to reduce the spread of the virus. You can find your nearest collection site or order online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/rapidtest

Vaccination – please get your vaccine once you are invited to

Please do not send children back into education if they are sick or feel unwell – be cautious.

If you or your child/ren receive a positive result from a rapid test you must begin self-isolating immediately, not attend school and book a confirmatory PCR test.

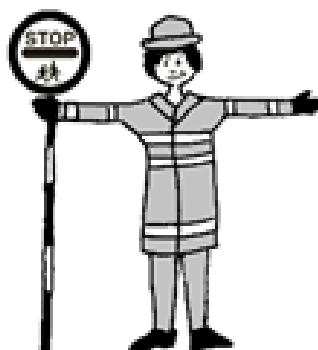
If you or your child/ren have symptoms (new, continuous cough, change or loss of taste or smell or a temperature) you must self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test at: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

If you need help to self-isolate contact HertsHelp for advice and practical help with things like getting food and medicine and accessing financial support. Call 0300 123 4044, email info@hertshelp.net or visit www.hertshelp.net

We know none of this is easy, but if we throw our arms around schools to protect them now, we can all look forward to the summer holidays we're hoping for. Thank you again for helping to keep yourselves and your community safe.

Hertfordshire County Council

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL WANTED!



Please be informed that your School Crossing Patrol
Andrew Dilley will be leaving on Friday 25th June 2021
We are therefore looking for someone
who would be interested in becoming the
School Crossing Patrol for

ST PAULS WALDEN SCHOOL

**THE PAY IS £9.25 PER HOUR
(excluding enhancements)
JOB SHARE CONSIDERED
MORNINGS ONLY**

If you are interested or would like further
information please contact The Active and Safer Travel Team
on 01992 556816

Please take extra care while
the crossing is unmanned.

Hertfordshire County Council, Transport, Access and Road Safety,
County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DN.
Tel: 01992 556816 MAY 2021

Can we please remind you that it is parental
responsibility to get your child to and
from school safely

THE GREAT VILLAGE PICNIC!

Sunday July 18 2021 | 2pm - 4pm |
Whitwell Recreation Ground



HERTFORDSHIRE MUSIC SERVICE

Registration now open
for lessons from
September 2021!



Instrumental and vocal lessons

Hertfordshire Music Lessons are available during the school day at over 330 schools in Hertfordshire.

We also provide lessons in the evening and on the weekends at our 12 music centres across the county, check where your nearest one is at hertsmusicservice.org.uk/music-centres.

For lessons in most schools, please enrol directly with HMS at hertsmusicservice.org.uk/register.

We offer various lesson types and durations, please talk to your school about what they can facilitate.

Remission of Fees is available to pupils receiving certain benefits. Generous financial support is available to help with the cost of lessons.

For full details and to see what fee assistance you could receive, visit hertsmusicservice.org.uk/remission/.



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