# ST PAUL'S WALDEN NEWS

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



## A MESSAGE FROM MRS ADSHEAD

It has been a fabulous couple of weeks with lots of laughter and learning. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for making Pierre Henry-Fontaine's visit a great success, We raised a whopping £805. Well done everyone!

This year's Easter egg hunt was a great success and enjoyed by all even though it was the coldest one we have ever done! We would once again like to thank the PTA for supporting this event and providing the Easter eggs.

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2016 and has supported many pupils throughout her time at St Paul's Walden Primary School. I am sure that you will all join me in wishing her all the best in her new appointment.

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed 2 new class teachers for September 2022. Miss Danielle Swinburne will be teaching in the Silver Birches and Miss Ashleigh Lewis will be teaching in the Rowans Class. It is our intention for you to have an opportunity to meet them prior to September and I will let you know further details next term.

We would like to wish all our families a happy and safe Easter break.

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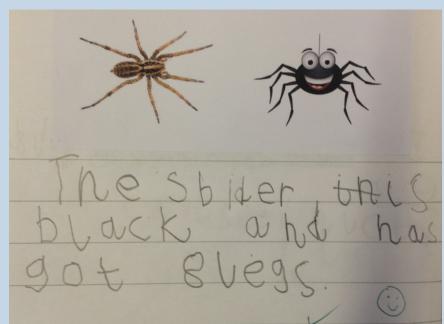






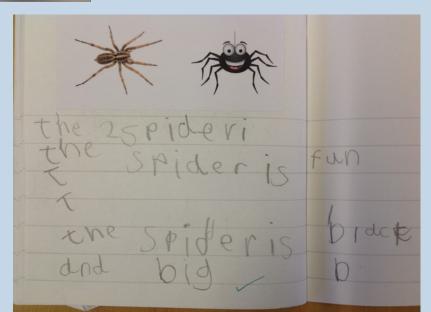
## **LEARNING IN THE WILLOWS**

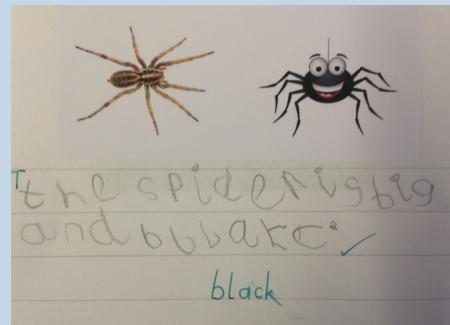
Continuing on our general theme of 'Come Outside' this term, the Willows children have been looking at minibeasts and in particular this week, spiders. There has already been some great descriptive writing about them, and the children have been making their own webs or spiders from paint, pipe cleaners, netting and even construction bricks!



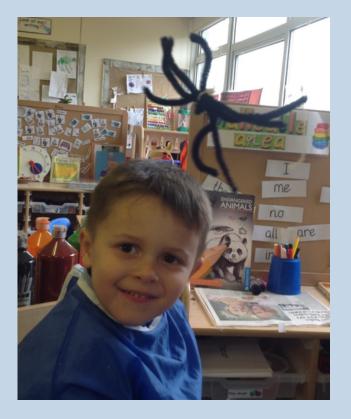


















### **LEARNING IN THE ROWANS**

In PE this week, the Rowans practised their risk taking skills to safely jump off equipment and







## **LEARNING IN THE SILVER BIRCHES**

This week we finished off learning about plants and how they distribute their seeds after being pollinated. We discovered that water, gravity, animals, ballistics, and wind all play an important role. First, we learned how each method worked, before role playing each way. We then presented these to the class, and we had to guess which form of distribution was being performed.





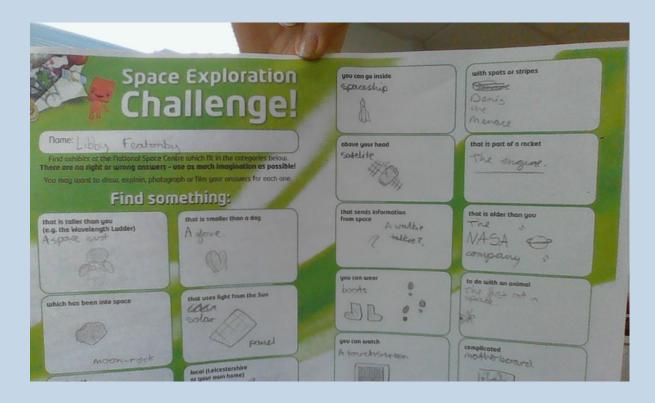


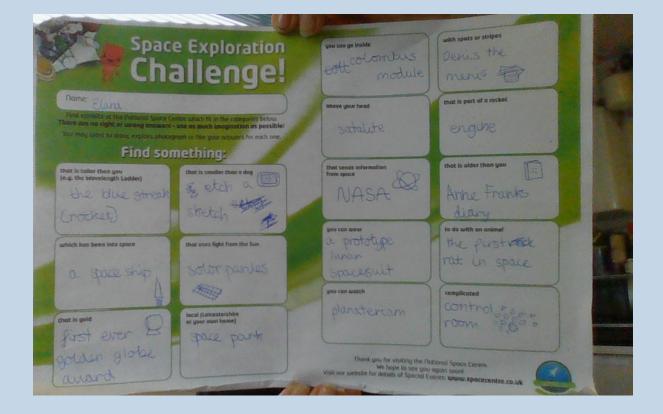


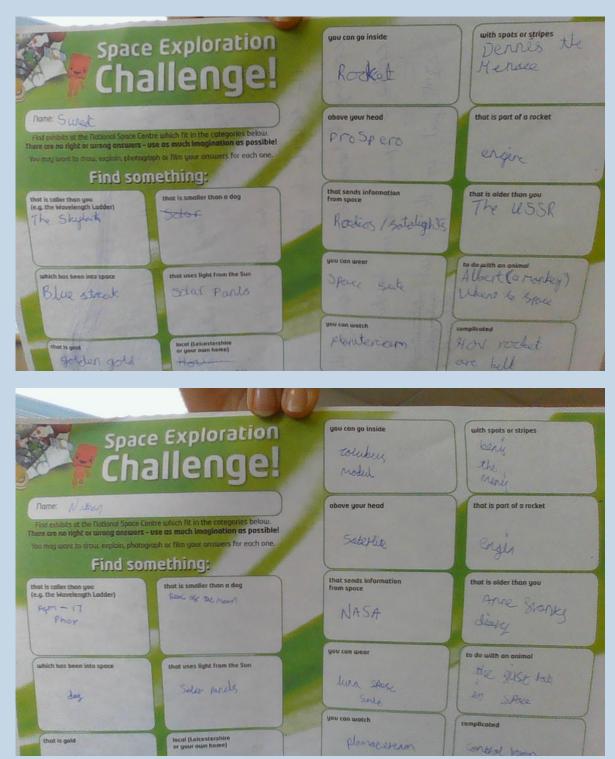


## **LEARNING IN THE OAKS**

Last week Oaks went to the National Space Centre in Leicester. To enhance our learning experience, Oaks completed a Space Challenge! They were required to find facts and information around the museum and make new discoveries. Here are some examples of their work.











## **GOLDEN TICKETS!**

We are really proud of Angel, Ferne, Isabella, Ivy, Callem, Harry P, Rae, Harry J, Harry C, Alex, Isabelle, Lucy, Monty, Sami, Hunter, Henry C, Lachlan, Leia, Konrad, Reggie, Mudiwa, Luna, Eli and Logan for going above and beyond earning 10 gold tokens. Congratulations on achieving a Golden Ticket!





















## THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT!

GREENPEACE are running a national survey that we thought some of you may like to take part in as a family project. If you do take part we would love to hear about your results! As a school we intend to take part in the survey.

Count your plastic for one week - 16-22 May 2022.

Across the country, households of all shapes and sizes, schools, community groups and businesses, will gather new evidence. How much plastic are we really having to throw away, and what happens to it. The link below will give you more information. <u>https://thebigplasticcount.com/</u>

https://thebigplasticcount.com/sign-up



Sign up now, count your plastic for one week and together let's gather the evidence we need to push for proper action to tackle the plastic crisis.

## TERM DATES

### Spring Term 2022

School starts:	Thursday 6th January
Half Term:	Monday 14th to Friday 18th February
Last day of term:	Friday 1st April <b>finishing at 2pm</b>
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, Thursday 2nd June & Friday 3rd
	June
Occasional Day:	Friday 24th June

#### Autumn Term 2023

School starts:	Monday 5th September
Half Term:	Monday 24th to Friday 28th October
Last day of term:	Tuesday 20th December <b>finishing at 2pm</b>
Occasional Day:	Monday 21st November
Inset Days:	Thursday 1st September, Friday 2nd September &
	Wednesday 21st December

### Spring Term 2023

School starts:	Thursday 5th January
Half Term:	Monday 13th to Friday 17th February
Last day of term	Friday 31st March finishing at 2pm

### Summer Term 2023

School starts:	Tuesday 18th April
Half Term:	Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June
Last day of term:	Friday 21st July <b>finishing at 2pm</b>
Inset Days:	Monday 17th April & Monday 5th June
Bank Holiday:	Monday 1st May



22nd April	Reports to parents
25th April	Parents evening
27th April	Willows class assembly parents
	welcome 15:00 - 15:15
27th April	Parents evening
4th May	Reception and KS1 trip to the Tring Natural
	History museum
5th May	Parent drop in session 9:15 to 11:15
9th - 12th May	KS2 SATs week
18th May	Willows class parents coffee morning
25th May	Coffee morning for parents of SEND children
25th May	Rowans class assembly
26th May	Sports day
8th- 10th June	Oaks class residential trip to PGL
9th June	Parent drop in session 9:15 to 11:15
13th June	School photographs
15th June	Open Evening for all classes 15:15 - 16:00
22nd June	Rowans class parents coffee morning
6th July	KS2 performance
7th July	Governors Meeting
7th July	Parent drop in session 9:15 to 11:15
13th July	Silver Birches class parents coffee morning
14th July	Secondary Transfer Day
18th July	Whole school trip
22nd July	Year 6 leavers event
<b>CONTACTING 1</b>	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.

We would like to invite all parents to our

## PARENT DROP IN SESSIONS

1st Thursday of every month.

No appointment needed, feel free to drop by between 9:15 and 11:15

Staff will be available to answer any questions and queries that you may have or just drop in to have a chat.



<u>Messy Good Friday</u> Easter activities for all children. Games, crafts, songs, quizzes, competitions and stories. Friday April 15th



**St Pauls Walden church** 

10.30 am - 12.00 am

plus an Easter egg hunt!

Ring Helen for details on 07906189827

Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.



### Children of all ages to perform in the Whitwell Jubilee Pageant: A play to celebrate 7 decades in the reign of Queen Elizabeth II brought to life by the children of Whitwell.

Auditions : Sunday 10th April at 5pm and Thursday 14th 5.30pm in the Village Hall

(if you can't make these dates please do get in touch with the director Bea Wood at bea.wood96@yahoo.co.uk)

The pageant will take place as part of the Jubilee weekend, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> June





You'll need to complete an assessment to join a maths course so please apply today at www.step2skills.org.uk/englishandmaths <image>

There's still time to join this course - you'll need to complete an assessment so please call us on 01992 556194