



“Starting children off through God’s love and Jesus’ teachings”

Christian Value: Forgiveness

British Value: Democracy

Living out the School Vision (Y5):

Curiosity: “I liked finding out about how Chris Hadfield became an astronaut,” shared Lilah.

Compassion: “I helped a younger child when they hurt themselves,” said Rae.

Resilience: “I worked hard and finished my independent write,” reported Teddie.

Worship quote: “Bear with each other and, if one of you has a complaint against another, forgiving each other...” *Colossians 3:13*

Remember in our prayers: Dame Sarah Mullally who was installed as the Archbishop of Canterbury this week.

Attendance During the Summer Term

Parents of children in Robins’ Class will be receiving a letter, reminding them that from summer term all children are now of statutory school age. Attendance expectations now apply to them, fully.

As the summer approaches, it is a good time to remind all families about the importance of high school attendance. It is not a surprise that academic progress suffers when children are regularly off school, but friendship bonds and with them, a sense of belonging, also diminish. Other children ‘move on’ and children who are often absent may struggle to re-establish themselves.

Fines for attendance much more likely for 5 or more consecutive days when combined with previous low attendance.

Reading Support

It is great to keep children reading, over Easter:

[Motivating children to read at home: 8 practical tips for... | BookTrust](#)

[How to support your child's reading at home - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Tips for reading at home - The Children's Literacy Charity](#)

Y4 Rise Voices

Practice is underway and the songs sound wonderful! Tickets for the performance (23rd April) are available via the QR code sent home by letter.

Pupil Premium Policy

This has been recently updated and approved by the governors. Please see the link below:

[St Paul's Pupil Premium Policy 2026](#)

The changes are around trip and residential visits.

New Guidance for Screen Time

This has been announced today, based on the most up-to-date research. The guidance is for under 5s but guidance around avoiding fast-paced or AI toy content, as well as avoiding before bedtime, is probably pertinent to all ages. Please see link:

[New screen time guidance for parents of under-5s - GOV.UK](#)

Please also see the accompanying flyer for safe & healthy online habits for children.

Village Events

Please see the accompanying flyer for The May Day Dash, a fundraiser for Woodhouse Eaves Scouts.

Church News

Messy Church is on Sunday 12th April. Please see accompanying flyer.

Sports News

Please see below for sports day dates.

Mr Harrison is planning a mini-marathon event, using the school grounds and the park, to coincide with the London Marathon. Letters for Y4, 5 & 6 will be sent after the holiday. Some, who are used to running longer distances, in Y3, may also be eligible.

School Diary

- Mon 13th Apr: back to school after Easter
- Fri 17th Apr 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6
- Thurs 23rd Apr: Rise Voices (Y4)
- Fri 24th Apr 2pm: Mini Marathon event (Y4,5,6)
- Fri 1st May 2.40pm: Golden Worship (R,Y1,Y2)
- Mon 4th May: Bank Holiday
- Mon 11th May: Y6 SATs Mon-Thurs
- Mon 25th May: half term begins
- Fri 5th June 1.15pm: Sports Day Y3-6 (reserve Mon 8th)
- Fri 12th June 1.15pm: Sports Day R,Y1,Y2 (reserve Mon 15th)
- Thurs 9th July: break up for summer.

Have a good
Easter holiday,
Mrs Gilchrist

