

Newsletter – 3 May 2024

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BOOK REVIEW

The Last Bear by Hannah Gold. There is a young girl called April. April is a young and intelligent girl. Her Dad said 'that he was going to the island of Last Bear'. Her father thought that there was no polar bears left on the island because they moved but there was one polar bear left on the island. They went to live in a cabin for six months. In those six months she met a polar bear and as she went to the polar bear more and more she realised that he loves to eat peanut butter and crackers.

Why I like it - because it has a lot of adventuring in it and I love going on adventures. Michael Morpurgo quoted 'It is very unforgettable' by Elodie R

Ripley transition

We are aware of a clash between Ripley transition days and our Y6 residential. Obviously, it is too late to change the date of the residential. However, we have been assured by Ripley that our Y6 children will be invited to school at another time to take a tour, see the school in action and ask any questions they may have. At the moment, the provisional date for this is Monday 1 July. Our children will also be invited to summer school (noncompulsory) where they get opportunity to meet other children who will be in their form. This will be wb Monday 19 August, although exact dates will depend on which tutorial group they are in. Ripley will send further information over the next couple of weeks.

Diary dates

We have allocated a date for sports day and for the Y6 production: please see all important dates below.

9.5.24 Y4 and Y5 Theatre Trip

18.5.24 Caton Gala

20.5.24 Y5 Coniston Trip parents meeting

24.5.24 Break up for half term

4.6.24 School re-opens

6.6.24 -7.6.24 Y5 Coniston

6.6.24 Preschool graduation and Year 6 photos

11.6.24 New starter evening

12.6.24 Movie Night

14.6.24 Fathers Day breakfast

25.6.24-26.6.24 Y6 Edinburgh

3.7.24 Sports Day

4.7.24 Emerald Class trip to Abbeystead

5.7.24 Summer Fair

10.7.24 Year 6 production

11.7.24 Reserve sports day

19.7.24: Leavers' service am, leavers lunch and leavers' parade pm.

19.7.24 Last day of term

3.9.24 School re-opens

Coniston

With our Y5 Coniston trip only 5 weeks away, please make sure you have paid on Parentpay. We are holding a Coniston information evening on Monday 20 May at 6:00pm for you to find out final information and ask any questions you might have.

Eucahrist

A reminder that there is no Eucharist at family worship this afternoon – this has been moved to Friday 24 May at 2:15pm.



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Trespassing

Now the nights are lighter, we have had many instances of people trespassing on site once the gates are locked. These are generally teenagers who play football, leading to broken fences on site. There is often litter and occasionally broken bottles. They are also disturbing neighbours with their noise. No-one is allowed on site once gates have been locked and this has been reported to police, along with CCTV footage of those involved. If you know of anyone who visits our site after hours, please politely tell them they are not allowed.

For the last few years now, we have no longer been able to allow community use of the site after hours due to damage and the health and safety of our children. Thank you for your cooperation.

All age worship

A reminder that all age worship takes place at St Paul's Church this Sunday at 10:00am. This family-friendly service is always on the first Sunday of every month. On Sunday 12 May, our choir are performing at St Paul's as part of a confirmation service starting at 10:00am.

Dance festival

Massive congratulations to our KS2 dance squad who performed so brilliantly on stage at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool. It was wonderful to see how excited the children were to take part in an event like this – they were all absolute stars and we are very proud of them.

VIPs

A massive CSP well done to all our super VIPS this week.

Diamond - Autumn W for showing persistence and determination! Creating her own story book to retell the story of Jack and the Beanstalk!

Ruby — Beatrice C for a writing an information book about Mary Seacole in history. Well done!

Topaz – All of Topaz for being absolute superstars on our trip to Leighton Moss. They were all polite, enthusiastic and a joy to be with.

Emerald - Alexander for excellent maths work on measures and perimeter. Well done.

Sapphire – Neve S for always tackling challenges in her maths work with a positive attitude.

Amethyst – Edward L For being an excellent member of Amethyst class: hardworking, a positive role model and for being a genuine pleasure to teach.

Sporty stuff

There are lots of sporting events in the summer term, mainly for Y5/6. We will be sending letters out when these have been confirmed. By the end of this year, we can guarantee that every Y6 child will have represented St Paul's in a sporting capacity. We also work hard to arrange inter-house competitions in school, where more children can be given the chance to compete — look out for skipping and korfball coming up before half-term.