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## Update from Miss Lee...

What a busy and rewarding half term we have had.

The staff and pupils have embraced many opportunities to learn beyond the classroom and the positive impact these have had on pupils learning and well-being has been a pleasure to see. It has been great to welcome parents back to workshops with high numbers attending year 3/4 reading and maths session and EYFS supporting your child.

We have been very proud of our year 2 and 6 pupils who have taken part in their SATs over the last few weeks, their 'Can do' approach and resilience was evident throughout these tests – well done!

I wish you all a wonderful break and am looking forward to our final half term of the academic year which will include transition meetings for parents, leaver's activities for year 6 and a number of exciting visits for many year groups.

<ul> <li>Dates for Your Diary</li> <li>School Closes for Half term on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 3.15pm and reopens on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>Year 1/2 trip to Manchester Airport – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>Early Years trip to Tatton Farm – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July</li> <li>School closes for the Summer holidays on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and reopens in September for children on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Nursery and new Reception children starting in September will receive their starting timetables In June.</li> </ul>	PTA News         Image: Display state of the summer fete, which will take place:         Friday 8 July 2022         3.15pm - 5.30pm         On the school playground
<ul> <li>Transition Meetings – (Children moving to a new Key Stage in September)</li> <li>Reception children moving to Year 1 - Tuesday 5th July at 6.00pm</li> <li>Year 2 children moving to Year 3 - Monday 4th July at 6.00pm</li> <li>Year 4 children moving to Year 5 - Wednesday 6th July at 6.00pm</li> </ul>	Join us for fun, food, face painting and much more! All while raising funds for the school. This year we are raising funds to replace the green area in the playground. We need your help! Do you have any good quality new or used toys or books for the toy stall? Please bring donations to the school office. We also need volunteers for on the day. Can you spare an hour to help? Please let us know and we'll be eternally grateful! Can't be there? - there are ways you can still
<b><u>Rights Respecting</u></b> This week we have been assessed for our Gold award. Martin Russell from Unicef has visited and spoken to children, staff, parents and our school governor. It is not official yet so we will let you know after half term when the full report is out. Well done to the whole school community!	support your PTA like playing our school lottery! Info to follow or see our PTA facebook page for details @stpaulspwithington <i>Thanks</i> Your PTA team, Fran, Nicola and Barry

#### Easter Service

The children in Years 3 and 4 delivered an Easter Service at St Paul's Church. It was a lovey service and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We are hoping to invite parents to The Leavers Service at St Paul's Church which will be at the end of July.



#### Early Years - Zoolab Visit

Zoolab came to visit nursery and reception children. The children were fascinated with the different African animals that were brought to school. They learnt about giant African snails, hissing cockroaches, giant millipedes and tarantulas. They also got to safely and carefully handle them, minus the tarantula as she was not in the best of moods!







# Early Years trip to Withington Fire Station

All of the children in early years really enjoyed their visit to the local fire station. They learnt the emergency service number and how to keep safe in case of a fire. They also got to sit in a fire engine and spray water out of the hose pipe.



## Year 6 Rounders Tournament

Year 6 children took part in a rounders tournament at MEA Central and went with Mrs Webster and Mrs Huck. They played against 6 other South Manchester teams and came first! Well done! They now have the City-Wide Finals on 9th June at William Hulme Grammar School. We wish them the best of luck!

### Year 1/2 – 'Animals Take Over'

KS1 had a visit from a company called 'Animals Take Over'. A lovely lady called Lyndsey brought various nocturnal animals in to school and told the children many interesting facts about them. This is so we all have lots of information to use when writing our non-chronological reports in English. The children had a lovely morning learning about and even getting to hold two different types of Owl, mice, a hedgehog, a tree frog, a millipede and a tarantula.



### Year 6 trip to Ghyll Head

Year 6 had a fantastic time at Ghyll Head, there were lots of challenges and adventures, lots of team building and we made some special memories.









### <u>Year 3/4</u>

As part of our topic on Ancient Greece the children took part in a workshop led by Portal for the past. Throughout the day the children learned many things about life in this period of history, from how democracy began to what typical pastimes the children engaged in. The children showed great enthusiasm for all the activities presented to them and thoroughly enjoyed the day.





# The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

