## Saint George's Church of England Primary Phase Weekly Newsletter



Term 1 – Week 2 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear families.

Our new Reception children in Hedgehog and Ladybird classes have settled in extremely well and are now in school full-time. It has been wonderful seeing all of our children together, at both worship times and lunchtimes! All other year groups are very settled into their classes now and it has been brilliant to see children engaged in their learning with such enthusiasm, when walking around the school.

We are working on dates for the year ahead and will be releasing these next week. We are trying to plan dates for the whole academic year, to help you plan for the year ahead. I hope you will find this useful.

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Taylor



# ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK Well done Ladybirds and Foxes!

Hedgehogs	93.33%
Ladybirds	98.33%
Badgers	97.42%
Squirrels	98.71%
Owls	98%
Foxes	98.33%
Woodpeckers	97.67%



#### A reminder of our PE, Forest School & Open-Door Days

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PE	Thursday	Thursday	Wednesday & Thursday	Wednesday & Thursday	Monday & Wednesday	Monday & Wednesday	Monday & Wednesday
Forest School	Monday	Friday	Monday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Friday	Thursday
Open Door	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday	Wednesday

#### A reminder of what to do if your child is unwell

If your child is too unwell to attend school, please inform the office by 9.00am on the morning of absence. Please contact the office on each morning that your child is absent.



If your child is suffering from sickness or diarrhoea, please do not send them to school until 48 hours have passed since their last episode.

If you are unsure whether your child is too unwell to attend school please refer to:

Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Finally, as there are now more children, parents and carers on our school site, please be mindful of your children when they are running, riding and scooting.

Thank you!

#### Meet our Playground Friends

We have a new team of playground friends this year! If your child is looking for someone new to play with, or would like to join in with a particular game, please tell them to head to the Friendship Meeting Point on the playground and one of our playground friends will be happy to help!



Isla-Rose, Max, Jack W, Jack G, Nadine, Layla, Gurveer, Emerson, Aanya, Harriet & Zara



### Request for Board Games!

Although the weather has been gorgeous since we started the new term, we are thinking ahead to the wetter weather!

If you have any old board games – particularly for the older year groups – that you no longer

use at home, we would love to have them here in school for the children to play with when they can't go outside to play.

Please drop any donations off at the school office. Thank you!

## Breakfast & After School Club Update Firstly, we would like to welcome

Firstly, we would like to welcome Mrs Curtis to our team! She will be working alongside Ms Odd, Mrs Keene and Mrs Sharp to continue providing care

to our children before and after school.

Thank you to all parents who completed our wraparound care survey last term. We have collated the results and have already begun a plan to improve the service which we offer, which we will share this with you all soon. Please contact the school office if you wish your child to attend breakfast and/or after school club.



We are pleased to announce that Tapestry, an online resource for Years R and I only, is up and running again!

#### Bike & Scooter Shelter Update, 41-4



We hope to be able to buy a bike and scooter shelter for Years 1-4 shortly. In the meantime, please feel free to leave your bikes and scooters in the area in front of the kitchen wall by the gates leading to and from the playground.

#### Owl Class this Week

Owl Class have been busy investigating Rocks, Minerals and Soils as part of their science learning. They had fun using their investigation skills to look at rocks using microscopes to identify their different properties.

The fun continued at Forest School where they searched for different rocks to identify and used them to build a rock

tower!













#### School Values Awards

#### Who has been demonstrating our school values this week?



**Florence** for showing such amazing creativity in her learning!



**Phoebe** for showing creativity in her humpty dumpty making!



**Abigail** for showing stewardship with her fantastic tidying!



Afice for showing thankfulness with her friends & teachers!



**Henry** for showing resilience in PE & not giving up!



showing resilience in her amazing maths work!



**Erin** for showing **stewardship** by keeping the classroom so tidy!

Creativity Honesty Resilience Inclusion Stewardship Thankfulness

#### Our stars of the week!



















Hedgehogs

The Whole Class for settling in so well!

Ladybirds

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Badgers

**Brodie** for his amazing maths work!

Squirrels

Lottie for her hard work & positive approach to learning!

Owls

Freya for her fantastic writing in English!

Foxes

**Noah** for his wonderful animal sketches!

Woodpeckers

**Artem** for his brilliant independent work in Geography!



For further information please visit https://fb.me/24HeiiLCF gwxrX4 or visit www.leukaemiauk.org.uk

If you are looking for entertainment tomorrow night, and want to support a good cause at the same time, why not head to the home of Chatham Town FC to watch a charity football match in aid of Leukaemia UK?

#### **MY STORY**

My name is Ricky. East year, on 10th August 2022, I was diagnosed with an aggress ve form of leukaemia. I'd been feeling unwell for 2-3 weeks and was losing weight and strength, and after being admitted to Medway hospital received this devastating news.

I sport 3 of the next 4 months in hospital undergoing intensive chemotherapy, which was also a threat to my life. The treatment was brutal, but it did what it needed to killing the cancerous cells in my blood and bone marrow. I w

very, very poorly, but by a miracle and through the aniazing NHS staff who treated me, I made it through.

On 7th December 2022 I received a life saving stom cell transplant from an anonymous donor. This is my only chance of a cure, and so far, it is working. I was discharged from hospital on 23rd Docomber - it was the best Christmas present of my life, to be alive and home with my wife Sam.

8 months since coming out of hospital I have now decided to do a charity fundmising event to raise money for Loukaemia UK

The charity aims to raisu awareness of leukaemia and its symptoms, to find and research new treatments, and to improve the quality of life and survival rates of patients like mo.

> I am fortunate to be in remission, though my treatment is engoing. I never thought it could happen to me, but now I want to do something positive to raise money to support the work of Leukaemia UK and people like myself who are living with

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www.leukaemiauk.org.uk