

Saint George's Church of England Primary Phase Weekly Newsletter



Term 2 Week 3

Friday, 14th November 2025

Dear Families,

There has been lots to think about this week at the Primary Phase, with both Anti-Bullying and Children in Need being focused on through worship times and activities within the classroom. We have thought carefully about the term 'bullying' and what it means, as well as discussing how we should care and respect one another, both in and out of school.

Today has been great fun with all of the children taking part in our Hunt the Spots game as well as our delicious cake sale after school. Thank you for all of your support with cake donations and purchases, to support this very worthy cause.

Well done to our year 3 and 4 Dodgeball competitors who took part in a Trust competition yesterday. The children played very well and enjoyed competing against other teams. Thank you to Miss Edwards for her support with this event.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Taylor

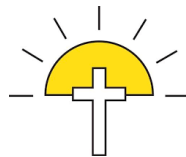
ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

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| Hedgehogs | 94.7% |
| Ladybirds | 95% |
| Badgers | 95.7% |
| Rabbits | 93.5% |
| Squirrels | 98.3% |
| Otters | 98.7% |
| Owls | 94.1% |
| Foxes | 100% |
| Woodpeckers | 99.4% |
| Wolves | 98.1% |

Well done Foxes !



Chaplain's Update



This week we have been remembering. Remembering stories of the past, stories of courage, stories of sadness and stories of hope.

On Tuesday, the Primary phase pupils joined together with our Year 7 pupils for a short service to mark the two minutes silence. Taking those moments to pause and reflect, along with people across the whole of the UK reminded us all of the challenge of becoming peacemakers in our world.

Deputy head students Eloise, from Year 6 and Iris from Year 13, represented our school impeccably in this short service we shared together.

In a world of conflict, it can be hard to hold on to the hope of peace, but we are reminded in the words of Jesus that 'blessed are the peacemakers' – I believe our Saint George's community demonstrates our values in action and we can work together to share that hope and be people who make peace in the words and actions we choose to share.

***Our Prayer this week is an international prayer
for peace***

Dear God

Lead me from death to life, from falsehood to truth;
Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust;
Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace.
Let peace fill our heart, our world, our universe.

Amen



In School this week

Remembrance Day



As Chaplain mentioned in her update, we held a special event on Tuesday, marking Remembrance Day. All children from the Primary Phase along with our secondary Year 7 students came together for a short service followed by silent reflection at 11.00am.



In School this week

Trust Dodgeball



On Thursday, 10 children from Year's 3 and 4 were selected to take part in a Trust Dodgeball Competition. Well Done to Brody, Arlea, Katie, Ralph, Jemima, Matthew, Sophia, Luna, Flynn and Ethan for your fantastic effort coming 9th overall!



Woodpeckers Class Worship

Congratulations to Woodpecker's for their fantastic class worship this morning, sharing with everyone what they have been learning in class this term!



In School this week

Children In Need.



This week we have been doing lots of different fun activities fundraising for Children In Need. The children have had so much fun playing 'hunt the spots', enjoyed dancing at the sponsored boogie and have created so many wonderful Pudsey & Blush pictures.

This afternoon we had our cake sale. Thank you so much to all everyone who baked or brought in cakes and biscuits



School Values Awards

Who has been demonstrating our school values this week?



Care, Share, Respect

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| Ladybirds | Ridley always shows <i>respect</i> to the forest school environment and the creatures that live there! |
| Hedgehogs | Juvvie for <i>care</i> , helping lots of children this week, finding their wellies or holding their hand if needed! |
| Rabbits | Sloane for <i>sharing</i> her great ideas in class! |
| Badgers | Tahera for <i>respecting</i> her environment and good tidying up! |
| Otters | Blossom for <i>care</i> , by supporting her peers both inside and outside the classroom! |
| Squirrels | Grace for <i>care</i> , your handwriting is beautifully presented – Well done! |
| Owls | Arlea for always contributing to lessons and <i>sharing</i> your knowledge! |
| Foxes | Luna has <i>shared</i> her time by speaking to visitors about her learning during lunch! |
| Woodpeckers | Joshua always willing to <i>share</i> and work with others to help! |
| Wolves | Max has shown that he <i>cares</i> about his learning in his last year at primary! |

Our stars of the week!



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| Hedgehogs | Mehar for using a loud, clear voice when answering questions this week, Well done! |
| Ladybirds | Ellis for always sharing a smile! |
| Badgers | Olivia for amazing independent writing! |
| Rabbits | Lucas for working so hard all week! |
| Otters | Nehemiah for his participation during all lessons! |
| Squirrels | Charlie for your super effort and achievement in maths! |
| Owls | Matilda for always trying her hardest! |
| Foxes | Max for great History and English work! |
| Woodpeckers | Archie for a fantastic achievement in reading and quizzing! |
| Wolves | Isaiah for an improved attitude towards learning in year six! |

Message from our Play Therapist



Hello, I'm Gloria the Play Therapist

I work with children through play to help them express feelings, build confidence and manage worries or challenges in a safe and supportive space

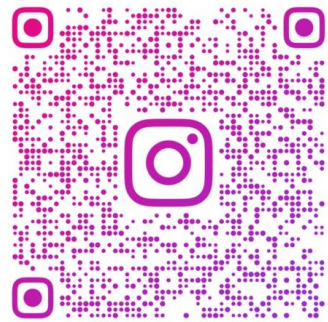


Play is a child's natural language – through creative activities like sand, art, stories and role play, children can explore what's on their mind and develop healthier ways to cope.



My role is to support emotional wellbeing, so children feel happier, more settled and ready to learn ❤️

Please use the QR code to find out more information about myself and what I do or you can follow me on Instagram @playtherapy.gloria for more tips and insights on children's emotional wellbeing, play and parenting support.



@PLAYTHERAPY.GLORIA

Polite Reminders

Requesting Absence

If you need to request time off during term time for your child/children, please send your requests direct to Mrs Taylor taylorh@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk

For medical/other appointments please send emails to the Primary office along with a copy of the confirmation of the appointment primary@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk

Reporting Sickness

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 by telephone 01474 533082 or email the Primary office: primary@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk



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.



School Reading books

Could we kindly ask all parents and carers to check at home for any school reading books (particularly year R and year 1) as we seem to be missing quite a lot in school.

Scooters in school

As the school grows bigger, we have an increasing number of children riding their scooters into school. Whilst this is lovely to see we must remind the children to be very careful and mindful of others when coming in through the school gates. Please remind the children to dismount their scooters at the entry gate and to also be careful when riding them through the playground as they leave at the end of the school day.



Meet Your New Parents' Association Committee!

Hello Saint George's families!

We're so excited to introduce ourselves as your **new Parents' Association Committee** — a team of parents passionate about **supporting** our school, bringing the **community** together, and making sure our children have the **best experience** possible.

YOUR COMMITTEE:

*Hannah & Claire
Co-Chairs*



*Jag
Treasurer*



*Sandy & Amandip
Co-Secretaries*



OUR AMBITION: TO SUPPORT SAINT GEORGE'S IN PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE EXPERIENCE FOR EVERY PUPIL — THROUGH FUNDRAISING, COLLABORATION, AND COMMUNITY.

OUR FIRST FUNDRAISING GOAL: TO ENHANCE THE PLAYGROUND WITH NEW, ENGAGING EQUIPMENT THAT MAKES EVERY BREAKTIME A HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY!

Our First Events:

Friday 5th December
'Dress Down & Donate'
Swap uniforms for favourite clothes and donate to our Hamper Raffle!

Monday 15th December
'Storytime with Santa'
A magical event for the younger years (and "Banter with Santa" for our Year 6s!).



Get Involved!

We'd love more parents to join in — whether you can spare an hour to help at an event, share ideas, or just lend a hand behind the scenes.



sgprimarypa@gmail.com
Or come and say hello to one of us!

**LET'S MAKE THIS A
BRILLIANT YEAR FOR OUR
CHILDREN AND OUR
SCHOOL.**

DRESS DOWN & DONATE DAY!

Friday 5th Dec

Swap your uniform for
own clothes, and bring
a gift item matching
your year group's
colour.

All the gifts will go into
Christmas hampers
that we are raffling off!

See posters for suggestions
on what to gift!

YEAR GROUP
GIFT
COLOUR:

Year
R

Year
1

Year
2

Year
3

Year
4

Year
5

Year
6



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GIFT IDEAS!

- It doesn't matter if it's big or small
- Non-perishable items please
- Find your child's year group and bring along an item in the associated colour
- And NO! Your child **doesn't** have to wear that colour too!

We'll be taking all the items you donate and making them into gorgeous Christmas hampers, which we'll raffle off in the coming weeks!



DRESS DOWN & DONATE DAY! - 5TH DEC

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Christmas Jumper

Pre-loved swap shop

Donate your child's old festive jumpers &
costumes to the office - we've bought a new
rail for the occasion!

Or pick up a pre-loved item for a small
donation.

All funds go to the School.



Dates for your Diary Term 2

| Term 2 | |
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| Wednesday 26 th November | Year 5 and 6 Rush Hockey Event – selected pupils only |
| Wednesday 26 th November | AIM High Maths Day (letter to be sent to those invited to take part) |
| Friday 28 th November | Otter class worship 9.15am |
| Friday 5 th December | Dress down & donate day (see poster enclosed) |
| Monday 8 th December | Dress rehearsal for Years R and 1 Nativity 1.45pm – babies and young children to attend this performance please |
| Tuesday 9 th December | 1.45pm Years R and 1 Nativity performance |
| Wednesday 10 th December | 1.45pm Years R and 1 Nativity performance |
| Wednesday 10 th December | Carol Service at St Mary's Church 6pm – further details to follow |
| Thursday 11 th December | Panto Trip @ Woodville Halls – see letter sent 22 nd September |
| Friday 12 th December | iRock Christmas Concert 9.30am |
| Friday 12 th December | Years 2, 3 and 4 Carol Concert 2pm |
| Friday, 12 th December | Christmas jumper day |
| Tuesday 16 th December | Years 5 and 6 Candlelight concert 6.30pm – further details to follow |
| Wednesday 17 th December | Christmas lunch |
| Thursday 18 th December | Elf Day! |
| Thursday 18th December | Last Day of Term 2 – school finishes at 3.10pm |
| Friday 19^h December | Rochester Cathedral Service for staff and year 7's |

Is Your Child Missing Out?

The school could be missing out on funding of up to £1,515 per year to help further support your child!

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium is a grant given out to schools for each child, from a family on low income. The school uses it to plan and support learning opportunities for these children.

Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Income-based Jobseekers allowance
- Child Tax Credit only, with income less than £16,190
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Asylum Seekers Support
- Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Apply
now!



To apply online visit:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals> or if you would like help with your application, please visit the office who will assist you.

