

Saint George's Church of England Primary Phase Weekly Newsletter



Term 2 – Week 2

Friday, 11th November 2022

Dear Families,

We have had a week of creative and exploratory activities this week at the Primary Phase! The week started with our year three and four children making their lanterns in preparation for the Saint George's parade next week. They are going to look incredible once lit up and all together for the parade.

Year four have also had their school trip this week to Rainham Marshes. I am sure you will see from further on in the newsletter that they had a fantastic day despite the wet weather! The Saint George's Parents Association (SGPA) have kindly offered to donate £5 per child towards a school trip this academic year, which we are extremely grateful for. Each year group will have a planned school trip throughout the year that supports an area of learning. Next week in school we have Maths Week and Anti-Bullying Week. We will let you know about all the things the children have taken part in towards these events, in next week's newsletter.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended parents evenings this week. It was lovely to see parents in school and engaging with their child's class teacher. I do hope you found them informative. If there is anything else you would like us to cover during these evenings, please let me know. If for some reason you could not make your appointment, please speak with your child's class teacher as soon as possible to arrange another meeting time.

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs Palmer

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Well done Foxes – Attendance Ted will be visiting you next week!

Hedgehogs	94%
Badgers	97.67%
Squirrels	96.45%
Owls	96%
Foxes	98.33%



**WHAT'S THE BEST DAY TO COME TO SCHOOL?
EVERY DAY!**

This week in school

Fox Class Trip to Rainham Marshes

Neither the rain, nor the protestors on the M25 stopped our Foxes from making the most of their trip to Rainham Marshes on Tuesday! To support their science and geography learning, the children investigated minibeasts, habitats, plants and streams and generally had lots of muddy fun!



This week in school

Lantern-Making Workshop

Owl and Fox Classes had a lantern-making workshop earlier this week. They used willow, paper and lots of glue to make their creations! The lanterns will be carried by the children in the Festival of Light parade on Friday, 18th November, which marks the start of Gravesham's festive celebrations!



REMEMBRANCE DAY



The children have been talking and learning about Remembrance Day this week, and we are sure you have seen some of their beautiful artwork on display in reception!

Thanks to Stanley, Pamilerin and Fearne who have been busy selling poppies every lunchtime and thanks to all of you for supporting our poppy appeal. We will let you know how much money we have raised, once it has been collected and counted by the British Legion!





For Information

Phonics Workshop

Tuesday, 15th November

We will be holding a phonics workshop for our Year R, Hedgehog parents next Tuesday at 2.30pm in the school hall. We hope that the workshop will help parents and carers understand our approach to reading and the teaching of phonics in Early Years here at Saint George's Primary. If you have a child in Year 1, Badger Class, and feel that you would also benefit from this session, please feel free to come along!

Meet our school councillors



Beatrix, Year R
Mihnea & Maira, Year 1
George & Ivy, Year 2
Phoebe & Noah, Year 3
Ethan & Fearne, Year 4

Meet our eco- warriors



Brody, Year R
Matilda, Year 1
Lois & Luna, Year 2
Logan & Max, Year 3
Erin & Phoebe, Year 4

School Values Awards

Who has been demonstrating our school values this week?



Stanley for showing *honesty* in class with his peers!



Hannah for showing *resilience* by always trying so hard!



Sienna for showing *resilience* by always trying her best & never giving up!



Alex for showing *resilience* when he was unsure on his school trip!

Creativity

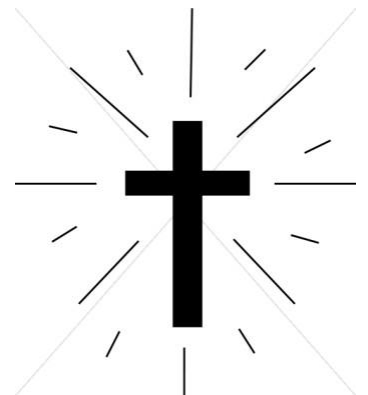
Honesty

Resilience

Inclusion

Stewardship

Thankfulness



Our stars of the week!



Hedgehogs

Abigail for using her phonics sounds so brilliantly in her Gingerbread Man writing!

Badgers

Alex for his super writing!

Squirrels

Jack for his super effort in English!

Owls

Caden for a fantastic effort in all her learning!

Foxes

George A for being a superstar on the school trip!

Dates for your Diary: Term 2

Term 2	
Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th November	Anti-Bullying Week & Maths Week
Tuesday 15 th November	Phonics Workshop for Hedgehog Parents at 2.30pm (further information included in this newsletter)
Wednesday 16 th November	Parent PSHE Presentation 6.30pm (see email sent 2 nd November)
Thursday 17 th November	Flu Immunisations (see letter sent 4 th October)
Friday 18 th November	Odd Socks Day for Children in Need and Anti-Bullying Week (further to information to follow)
Friday 18 th November	Festival of Light from 4.00 – 5.30pm for Years 3 & 4 (further information to follow)
Saturday 19 th November	Christmas Fayre at St Mary's Church (further information to follow)
Monday 21 st November	Road Safety Day
Friday, 25 th November	Fox Class Worship – parents invited to attend
Sunday 27 th November	Mayor's Carol Service at Saint George's Church (further information to be sent to School Choir & Vocal Training Group next week)
Friday 2 nd December	Non-Uniform Day – bottle & chocolate donations for Christmas Fayre (further information to follow next week)
Friday 2 nd December	Year R 2023 Open Morning (Contact Primary Office to book a place)
Monday 5 th December	Year R 2023 Open Morning (Contact Primary Office to book a place)
Monday 5 th December	Carol Service at St Mary's Church (further information to follow)
Tuesday 6 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal at 1.45pm – parents bringing younger siblings to watch this performance
Wednesday 7 th December	Nativity Performance at 1.45pm – Hedgehogs and Badgers parents invited
Thursday 8 th December	Nativity Performance at 1.45pm – Hedgehogs and Badgers parents invited
Friday 9 th December	Christmas Jumper Day – All children may wear a Christmas/brightly coloured jumper/top to school with their school uniform – in aid of Save the Children
Friday 9 th December	Santa's Grotto organised by the SGPA (further information to follow next week)
Monday 12 th December	Whole School Trip to Pantomime at Woodville Halls (see letter dated 4 th October)
Tuesday 13 th December	Christmas Carol Concert at 2pm – Squirrels, Owls and Foxes parents invited
Wednesday 14 th December	School Christmas Lunch
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Fayre after school, organised by the SGPA (further information to follow next week)
Friday 16 th December	Last day of term 2 – finish at 1.15pm After School Club until 3.00pm (must be pre-booked)