

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



Term 3 – Week 3  
Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Families,

The children have been rehearsing hard this week ahead of our performance at Young Voices this evening at the O2. We are all very excited and if your child is taking part I really hope you enjoy the performance later on today! We will add some photos to next week's newsletter.

I am sure you are all aware of the decision that the NEU have announced; that they will be taking industrial action in the form of strike action. As soon as I know more about how this affects the primary phase I will let you know.

We are looking forward to a visit from the Police next Tuesday! The children are going to be spoken to about stranger danger and the importance of being aware of strangers. We may even be lucky enough to get to sit in a police van!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend! Mrs Palmer

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

**Well done to Badgers, Squirrels & Owls – So very nearly 100%  
Attendance Ted will be visiting Owls next week!**



Hedgehogs	95%
Badgers	99%
Squirrels	99.03%
Owls	99.67%
Foxes	94%

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

# This week in school

## Census Lunch

Thank you for supporting us with our census lunch yesterday. The children certainly enjoyed their burgers, fries and churros!



## Young Voices

At lunchtime today, our choir and vocal training group headed off to the O2 to take part in Young Voices – the largest children's choir concert in the world! We will share more photos next week.



# DONATIONS

We are looking to enrich our outdoor areas with more 'real-life' objects and household items and are hoping that you will be able to help us!

Any of the items listed below will help us to support our children in becoming curious, creative and independent learners.

If you would like to donate any of the following items, please drop them off at either the school office or the Year R/Hedgehog classroom.

- -Unwanted recipe books, instruction manuals, telephone books or any books/magazines (fiction or non fiction) linked to cooking, building and construction, music, number, stories, planting/garden, map books/driving, sports, sea/water themed books.
- -wooden bowls/plates/dishes
- -utensils
- -wooden/wicker baskets or plastic boxes with plastic lids/click on lids
- cable drums
- old style kettles, cups and saucers (china/ceramic)
- Old bicycle wheels
- mirrors
- Plants/plant pots
- mirrors (free standing or wall mounted)



We would also be grateful for any of the following.

- Toy doll buggy/pushchair/pram
- Baby dolls/clothes
- Toy high chair
- Toy cot
- Toy shopping trolley
- Toy doll's bath



The SGPA would also like donations of:  
World Book Day Costumes \* Christmas Jumpers \*

Unwanted Christmas/ Birthday Gifts \*

The SGPA will then sell the costumes and jumpers and Gifts to raise funds for future events and treats for the children.





# Saint George's Parent Association

As you are all aware, the SGPA worked extremely hard in the run-up to Christmas, arranging our Father Christmas visit, the Christmas fayre, School Christmas cards, as well as providing refreshments at each of the nativity performances. Their hard work from this period alone raised almost £1000!

The money raised from these events will benefit all children here at the Primary, throughout the year. Last year for example, the SGPA were able to treat the children to Easter eggs and ice lollies and contributed towards the cost of supplies for gardening club. They also donated £5 per child towards the cost of a school trip, to help reduce the cost for parents. This year, they have already committed to purchasing hi-vis jackets for all children, to ensure their safety whilst out in public.

Previous events and fundraisers include the school disco, mother & father's day gift shops, jubilee souvenirs and end of term tea-towels. They hope to repeat as many of these as possible, so please keep your eye on the dates for your diary section, which will confirm future events.

With your help and support, they can continue to provide fun events for the children throughout the year whilst raising vital funds.

The SGPA are a very small team and would love to welcome new members.

If you are interested in joining them, please contact Angela at [jonesalan38@sky.com](mailto:jonesalan38@sky.com)

To find out more about the SGPA and our upcoming events, please scan the QR code below to visit our Facebook Page!



# School Values Awards

Who has been demonstrating our school values this week?



**Oliver** for showing *stewardship* by sharing information about wildlife with his friends!



**Ethan** for showing *creativity* by contributing to a discussion about colours during art!



**Emily** for showing *resilience* by always trying her best and never giving up!



**Max** for showing extra *resilience* in maths with his column subtraction!

**C**reativity

**H**onesty

**R**esilience

**I**nclusion

**S**tewardship

**T**hankfulness



**George** for showing *resilience* by always being responsible and persevering with challenges!

# Our stars of the week!



**Hedgehogs**

**Benjamin** for showing confidence & resilience in all his learning this term!

**Badgers**

**Lizzy** for her amazing effort in writing!

**Squirrels**

**Gabriel** for his fantastic sentence writing skills!

**Owls**

**Gurveer** for his super effort & understanding in column subtraction & re-grouping!

**Foxes**

**Aaryan** for his fantastic effort in swimming!

# Dates for your Diary: Terms 3 & 4

<b>Term 3</b>	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	Chinese New Year
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Primary Phase Police Visit
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Squirrel Class Worship, 9.15am - Parents invited to attend
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	York Community trip to Woodlands Park
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Love yourself, non-uniform day! Children to wear whatever clothes they feel most comfortable and happy in.
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	<b>Last day of term 3 – Finish at 3.10pm</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	<b>First day of term 4</b>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Wizard Stories Event – further information to follow
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Parent Voice Meeting 2pm
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Book Week
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	World Book Day – Children to come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023	Book Fair – Further information to follow
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Science Week
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea – further information to follow
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	<b>Trust Development Day – school closed to pupils</b>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 4 Kingswood Residential Trip Meeting for parents 6.00pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Last day of term 4 – Finish at 1.15pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	<b>Staff Development Day – school closed to pupils</b>

**REMINDER**

It's our **Squirrel Class Worship** next Friday and all parents are invited. It will be starting at 9.15am.  
We look forward to seeing you next week!



Fizzpop Science ran an after school club for us last year and will be back here again in Term 5. In the meantime, why not sign your child up for a Saturday session?

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## Science Workshops!

**Saturday 25th February 2023**

**Saint George's Church of England School**

**Primary Phase - Westcott Avenue, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 7HP**



**£8 per child per session**

**(Must be accompanied by an adult)**

**Suitable for ages 5-12**

**Show me the light - 09:30-10:30**

*Become illuminated as we split apart white light and create rainbows in the classroom. Discover how light travels and how it can be used in everyday life. Discover the wonders of UV when we make glowing potions and find invisible messages that are hidden in plain sight to keep us safe.*



**Hair Raising Electrons - 11:00-12:00**

*Get ready for some hair-raising action! Explore circuits, conductors and insulators and create lightning in the classroom. Some lucky volunteers will also have the chance to make their hair stand on end (Humidity dependant) with the Van De Graff generator!*



**Limited spaces available!**

**Book now via the sign up link on our website!**

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