



Message from the headteacher

Welcome to all our new Reception families and other families across the school that have joined us over the last week or so. We hope you have settled quickly into life at St George's.

This week we held our termly parent meetings; I hope you have found these and the class letter useful. The letter and the PowerPoint used in the meetings will soon be accessible on the school website. Please check the school website for diary dates as these are updated regularly; the class pages will also be revised very shortly with information about what each class has been doing so far in school and some plans for the coming term.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the coffee morning today. Thank you for joining us for communion and staying on to talk. It is always great to catch up with everyone, especially after a long summer holiday. Thank you to Father Richard and the Grosvenor Chapel for hosting this for us.

We started our 'creative learning carousels' this afternoon. Each class is split into their houses and then several classes are put together to work as a new house group. This is a wonderful way for our children and staff to get to know each other. It also adds to their creative learning with activities such as gardening, cooking, mindfulness, art, debating, choir, etc. Reception, Y1 and Y2 are working together and Y3 to Y6 are working together. Each class then returns to finish off our Friday afternoons with a time for reflection, circle time and PSHE.

Y5 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Hampton Court this week as part of their Shakespeare project. The weather remained warm for them and they had so much to do on the day. Rehearsals have already begun and the children are very excited about the performance. Please remember to buy your tickets via Rada as soon as possible.

Y4 had a visit from Sarah Howard and the 'Adopt a School' front of house team on Wednesday. The children were taught how to serve at tables, how guests should be greeted and how they need to behave when they go to a restaurant. The children really enjoyed the session and the 'Adopt a School' staff commented on how wonderfully behaved they all were. Well done Y4!

Next Friday, 21st September at 3pm, there will be a fundraising meeting for parents. This is an opportunity for any parents interested in helping to raise money for the school to get together and formulate some plans. One of the decisions we will need to make is whether we are going to be holding a Christmas fair this year and if so, when that would be. It would be wonderful if lots of parents were able to join us for this meeting.

Some of the best things about our week at St George's

"I like doing maths" "Playing in the playground"
"Shakespeare" "Our trip" "Project work"
"Adopt A School" "Roald Dahl Day"

Attendance

This shows attendance from the beginning of term up until today.

Year	Attendance
R	97.18
1	97.26
2	95.09
3	97.18
4	93.36
5	90.73
6	91.19

Well done to the classes who achieved above 95%!

Star of the Week and Values Champions

Star of the week will start next week.

Congratulations to our Values Champions for this week. They are: **Zaayan, Wells, Toby, Xanthe, Libuse, Sebastian and Spartacus**. What fantastic role models these children have been this week! Certificates are on display in school for a week before going home.

Collective Worship, RE and Prayer of the Week

This half term our value is respect. We have started looking at this in Collective Worship and talking about what it means to be respectful. Our RE units are focusing on Christianity for this first half term. Our class RE leaders are as follows:

Tristan and Aiyanna, Harvest and Sapphire, Oscar and Aria, Libuse and Anthony, Sara and Loveday, David and Bebo

Father, There are lots of people in this world that need to be looked after, please show them your love and help us to care for those who are in need, sick or unhappy. Lord in your mercy (Hear our prayer)

School Council Members and other leadership roles

Each class from Y1 upwards has elected school council members. As well as these leadership roles, we have ensured that all children across the school have a leadership role within their classroom. This might be RE lead, PE lead, table monitor, book organiser, cloakroom tidier, etc. the children are very excited about their roles, so please ask your child what their role is.

School Council members

Year 1	Wells and Soledad
Year 2	Amelle and John
Year 3	Telmo and Ariana
Year 4	Nour and Miles
Year 5	Sammy and Cybil
Year 6	Ryan, Julius, Majdah, Natasha

Roald Dahl Day (and poetry open afternoon)

On Thursday, each class focused on a rhyme or poem written by Roald Dahl. They spent time learning, putting actions to it, re-writing parts of it and drawing pictures to illustrate it.

The children will continue to learn these poems over the next few weeks before performing them on our poetry afternoon when parents will be invited into class to see what they have been doing. Please join us for this.

**Thursday 4th October
2:30pm**

Dates for your diary

Autumn Term 1 (Michaelmas)	
<i>Every Friday at 9:15am</i>	<i>Chapel</i>
Monday 17 th September 3:30pm	Clubs start
Wednesday 19 th September 9:30am	Year 4 Swimming starts
Friday 21 st September 3pm	Fundraising parent meeting
Tuesday 25 th September 3pm	Reception and Year 1 Phonics parent workshop
Tuesday 25 th September 3pm	Year 2 – Year 6 Maths parent workshop (Abacas)
Thursday 27 th September Time TBC	Air Pollution Assembly and parent information meeting
Friday 28 th September 2:00pm	Reception Class Picnic with parents
Tuesday 2 nd October Morning	Year 5 and Year 6 Just Enough UK workshops
Tuesday 2 nd October 3pm	Reception – Year 6 Curriculum and assessment parent workshop
Wednesday 3 rd October 3pm	Faith group meeting All parents invited
Thursday 4 th October 9:05am	Year 3 Class assembly and parent workshop (wellbeing)
Thursday 4 th October 2:30pm	Reception to Year 6 Parent open afternoon
Monday 8 th October All day	Year 2, 3 and 4 Air Pollution testing
Thursday 11 th October 9:05am	Year 5 Class assembly and parent workshop (wellbeing)
Friday 12 th October 2:30pm	Debating house event
Friday 12 th October 3:30pm-4:30pm	Year 1 and Year 4 MEND parent workshop
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th October	Reception – Year 6 International Week
Tuesday 16 th October	Year 5 and Year 6

Morning	Equaliteach Think workshops
Tuesday 16 th October 3pm	Year 6 Sayers Croft parent meeting
Thursday 18 th October 9:05am	Year 1 Class assembly and parent workshop (wellbeing)
Friday 19 th October 8am onwards	Reception – Year 6 Thanksgiving and Values day
Friday 19 th October 3:30pm	Reception – Year 6 End of half term

Please note these dates are subject to change and will be updated throughout the academic year.