



*Working together for the achievement of all.*

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to this week's edition of the St George's Hanover Square newsletter. The children have been making us very proud with their amazing efforts with attendance and hard work too.

### Workshops and trips

"Year 6 at the Imperial War Museum

As part of our history topic on historical conflicts involving the United Kingdom Year 6 visited the Imperial War Museum. We were treated to a guided tour of their WW2 collection and then had our own 'treasure hunt' where we found artefacts from WW1 and beyond. We walked through the recreation of the original trenches in Normandy, saw a replica of the first atomic bomb and walked beneath a Spitfire that still bore the scars from fighting in WW2." Mr Long

"Chef Caldora came to St George's Primary school on Thursday to deliver a superb 'Adopt a Chef' workshop. We donned paper pinnies and a chef's hat and learnt how to create our own Greek salad. The children absolutely loved it and it definitely helped to deepen their cookery knowledge. Hopefully they will apply their newfound expertise to their cooking at home too!" Mr Roney

### Stars of the Week ☺

Each week, teachers choose one child in their class who has demonstrated exceptional learning or our Christian Values of Friendship, Kindness, Respect, Creativity, Forgiveness and Honesty. A big well done to the following children.

<b>Our wonderful Stars of the Week</b>						
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Penelope	Skander	James	Matthew	Oscar	Alex	Sammy

Attendance	
Reception	95.9%
Year 1	96.1%
Year 2	99.6%
Year 3	96.5%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	98.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>97.9%</b>

Well done Year 4 for another week of 100%



Lates	
Reception	1
Year 1	7
Year 2	5
Year 3	9
Year 4	3
Year 5	2
Year 6	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>

We have set the children the Pizza Attendance and Punctuality Challenge! Each child with 100% attendance and 100% punctuality between Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October and the end of the summer term will join Ms Slater and myself for a celebratory pizza (plus pudding!).



### **Class Assemblies**

This week was Year 3's turn to wow us with their class assembly. The children performed confidently and were all really keen to share what they have been learning in class this year so far. It was a pleasure to watch and we even had Fred Flintstone make an appearance.

Thank you very much to all the parents who came to see the performance too. It is always a pleasure to have you come into school and share the experience of being at St. George's. It worked much better in the afternoon too, when the parents who came to the performance made their way down the backstairs straight away. Thank you very much for continuing to make our school a safe one.

### **Church**

Next Friday is our Thanksgiving Service. It will be held at St. George's Hanover Square Church and will start at approximately 2.15pm. We kindly ask that parents meet us at the Church for this time.

We have sent out a letter requesting you to indicate whether you would like your child to receive Communion or a blessing at this service. If you have not yet done so, please could you send it back to the office as soon as possible.

Children are also to be picked up from the church at 3.30pm. Dismissing the children from Church can take a little longer than usual, so please continue to be patient in order to ensure the safety of your children.

### **School Lunches**

Thank you to the parents who attended the food tasting session this Wednesday. It was wonderful to hear all the positive comments from you about how delicious out school dinners are. If you would like to sign your child up for school dinners please see Mrs Baukovic.

### **Choir**

The choir have already begun rehearsing for the performance at Bachfest on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm at St. George's Church. Please keep the date free and join our choir at St. George's Church to celebrate the works of Bach. Tickets for the performance at £10 for adults and under 16s can attend for free. Please see the flyer for the concert at the end of this newsletter.

The choir will need to be at St. George's Church until approximately 5.00pm. If your child will not be able to take part in this event, please let the office know as soon as possible and they will inform Ms Slater.

### **Uniform**

Well done to Year 1 for winning the uniform cup this week. They looked super smart with their ties done up, shirts tucked in and PE t shirts with red trim. Well done Year 1.

### **End of the day pick up and rain**

Thank you all for your support with making the end of the day at pick up a safe one. Please note that parents are not allowed in the Undercroft area and please make sure that once you have picked up your child that they remain under your supervision. In the event of rain, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be dismissed from the football pitch area of the playground.

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Thank you and well done for the improvements in morning punctuality and collection at the end of the day. The school gate remains open until 3.45pm but pick up is at 3.30pm prompt. There remain a small and persistent number of children who are collected late at the end of the school day. Thank you for continuing to work with us to resolve this.

### **Half Term**

A reminder that this half term ends on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 3.30pm and any early absences will be noted.

### **Dates for your diary**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**Year 4 class assembly** at 3.00pm

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

**Thanksgiving/Holy Communion at St. George's Church**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

**Sayers Croft Week for Year 6**

**w/b 11<sup>th</sup> November**

**Anti Bullying Week**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

**Parents' Evening** at 3.45pm – 5.45pm

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

**Parents' Evening** at 3.45pm – 5.45pm

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

**Year 5 class assembly** at 3.00pm

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

**Children in Need day**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

**Year 6 class assembly** at 3.00pm

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

**Smile Train Concert** at 7.00pm

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**Nativity Performance** at 9.30pm and 2.00pm

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

**Carol Service Grosvenor Chapel** tbc

Thank you for all your support, it is much appreciated.

Best wishes

**Ms Petra Slater, Head of School and Mrs Rebecca Harris, Executive Headteacher**



## ***Back is cool!***

### **A Special Family Concert**

*Featuring*

*St George's*

*Primary School Choir*

*With*

*Steinitz Bach Players directed  
by Rodolfo Richter - violin*

**Thursday 7 November at 4.00pm**  
**St George's Church, Hanover Square W.1**

#### **•Programme•**

Music by Bach, Vivaldi, Telemann, Handel  
The choir will join the orchestra in a performance of Bach's  
famous chorale "*Jesu, joy of man's desiring*"

**School Parents Tickets £10.00; Under 16s FREE.**  
**Call 01883 717372 to pre-book or at the door from 3.30pm.**



Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) is rightly regarded as a musical genius, but in his life he was a hard-working and meticulous musician, fulfilling his duties day by day just like we do today. He also liked good food, had a sense of humour, liked being with his large family and entertaining his friends.

Such is Bach's fame that we are almost bound to come across his music at some point – weddings, funerals, special occasions. Bach's music touches all our lives and is for everyone, all ages.

This special Family Concert is the culmination of an exciting project with St George's Primary School focussing upon "*Bach, the organist*" in particular, but also as an introduction to the composer's music and that of his friends and colleagues Vivaldi, Telemann and Handel.

The pre-concert sessions held in Handel's Parish Church of St George's introduce the children to the highly praised organ in St George's Church: the sounds, the pipes, the stops, the workings, to give them an exciting, new musical experience. In addition, the children have been learning one of Bach's most famous chorales which they will perform with the members of Steinitz Bach Players, a professional chamber orchestra that plays instruments of Bach's time.

Come and join us all to support the children and enjoy some wonderful music together

- ~ Simon Williams, Director of Music at St George's
- ~ Nicholas Morris, Assistant Director of Music at St George's
- ~ Petra Slater, Headteacher at St George's Primary School
- ~ Georgina Wright, Director of St George's Primary School Choir
- ~ Margaret Steinitz, Artistic Director London Bach Society & Bachfest

**The concert is part of the London Bach Society's annual Bachfest.**  
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