



*Working together for the achievement of all.*

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome one and all to this week's Newsletter. We are delighted to say that this week has been another filled with learning and opportunities to develop our knowledge and understanding of the wider world!

We are very much looking forward to the Academic Review Day which is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020. As previously outlined in class curriculum meetings and Newsletters, schools have 5 annual INSET days which they can take at any point in the academic year. We are using two of these in order to have important parent meetings with the aim of supporting progress, learning and the wellbeing of your children. Please do contact the school office to book a time to meet with your child's class teacher.

This week Year 4 went on a school trip to the Museum of London. Here's what they had to say about their experience. "We learned about Romans and looked around the museum. We had a booklet with lots of questions that we used to help us go around the museum. We also had the opportunity to go and see the 2012 Olympics celebration and Great Fire of London exhibitions. It was really great to see how history travels and keeps on moving."

We are currently looking for volunteers with experience in marketing, sales, photography, designing and/or social media expertise to help us with a short campaign to raise the profile of the school. We need help in raising funds and the profile of the school so your help would be very much appreciated. We know that there is a wealth of talent out there in our community – we just need your help! Please come and speak with Ms Slater if you think that you might be able to support.

May I also take this opportunity to remind everyone of the importance of speaking with all members of our school community with respect and ensuring appropriate and professional boundaries are maintained. If you do wish to access any parts of the school building, please ask a member of the office staff to accompany you. We ask all parents and carers to kindly adhere to our safeguarding procedures all times.

We are also very keen to start up our wonderful class cake sales again! Your cooking skills are second to none and we would very much appreciate the chance to start these up again. If you could let Ms Slater know what dates would work for your year group by next Friday that would be greatly appreciated.

| Attendance   |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Reception    | 100%         |
| Year 1       | 95.7%        |
| Year 2       | 99.2%        |
| Year 3       | 94.1%        |
| Year 4       | 100%         |
| Year 5       | 97.8%        |
| Year 6       | 96.4%        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>97.7%</b> |

Hooray to Reception and Year 4! 100% - what a superb accomplishment.

Sadly lates are looking rather worrying. Up to the beginning of last week, this is what the stark reality for each year group is looking like.

| Lates        |           |
|--------------|-----------|
| Reception    | 1         |
| Year 1       | 5         |
| Year 2       | 7         |
| Year 3       | 9         |
| Year 4       | 9         |
| Year 5       | 7         |
| Year 6       | 5         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>43</b> |

| Class         | Lates      |
|---------------|------------|
| Reception     | 33         |
| Form 1        | 86         |
| Form 2        | 98         |
| Form 3        | 95         |
| Form 4        | 60         |
| Form 5        | 61         |
| Form 6        | 87         |
| <b>Totals</b> | <b>520</b> |

## **Class Assembly**

Year 2 were did a fantastic job of entertaining all this past Thursday. They showcased an almighty performance of their very own next adventure of Traction Man by Mini Grey. They looked fantastic and were clear and eloquent in their presentation of their learning. They had clearly worked very hard and did a great job. Thank you Miss Carmichael and Ms Philips for supporting these wonderful performers to be able to put on such an outstanding show!

## **You and Me**

There is still time to join in with our fundraising challenge championed by our very own Penelope Deschamps and her super mummy Gaele.

Please note that it states that 50% of the funds raised go to our school charity and the other 50% go towards covering the costs of producing these wonderful books.

*How does it work?*

- Please return money raised and unsold books if any in the zip bag on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- The class with the most books sold wins the Fundraising Cup in Chapel on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February (or when Chapel resumes)

Please ask the office if you have any further questions.

## **Uniform**

Well done to Year 2 for winning our Uniform Cup this week. Please remember that you can purchase ties, regulation school bags, amongst other items, from the office. Please do come and speak to Mrs Baukovic if you need any advice.

## **Costumes**

We still haven't had any parents come forward or share their ideas regarding the idea of creating a central costume store at St. George's. Please come and speak with Ms Slater if this is something that you would like to get involved with.

## **Prayer of the Week**

Heavenly Father, as we remember the story of Candlemas, help us to be like Simeon and Anna, who waited with patience and longing, and received what they had been waiting for, the light of Christ, the fullness of grace. Help us to be patient and never give up, so that we might receive Christ's light with joy.

Lord, hear us. Lord graciously hear us.

## **Dates for your diary**

|  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>  | <b>Year 1 Class Assembly</b> 3.00 pm |
| <b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February</b> | <b>Year 3 Class Assembly</b> 3.00pm  |
| <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>Break up for half-term</b>        |
| <b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>Back to school</b>                |
| <b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>   | <b>Academic Review Day</b>           |
| <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>    | <b>Year 4 Class Assembly</b> 3.00pm  |
| <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>    | <b>Year 5 Class Assembly</b> 3.00pm  |
| <b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>    | <b>Year 6 Class Assembly</b> 3.00pm  |
| <b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>       | <b>End of term</b> 2.00.pm           |

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

Best wishes

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