

# St George the Martyr C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 8th December 2023

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Go, shine in  
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder that the last day of term is Thursday 21st December. Children must be in school until the end of term, as all usual lessons continue and we do not want children to miss out on important learning. When children miss even one day, it is very difficult for them to catch up on these lessons. If you believe that you have exceptional reasons for your child to not be in school, please make an appointment to meet with me. We understand that flights are cheaper before and after the holidays, but this does not count as an exceptional reason, I'm afraid. All children must be back in school on Monday 8th January for the start of Spring Term.

Another reminder that next week the children will be having their class Christmas parties in school. Children can wear their festive party clothes on this day. Please have a look overleaf at the 'Important Dates for your Diary' to see on which day each class has their party.

Please read on further for information about the Camden Library Winter Reading Challenge.

With best wishes, Mrs Whiteley (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

## 'Mend the Manger' Nativity Performance

Thank you to all the parents, friends and families that attended the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity performances yesterday. The children showed our values of *inspiration* and *determination* when performing and we hugely enjoyed watching them 'shine'!



## Christmas card box...

It is lovely when children want to write Christmas cards to other children and teachers. From Monday, each class teacher will be keeping a post box of Christmas cards. These will be handed out during the last week of term.



I have received and read the St George the Martyr CE Primary School newsletter of 08.12.2023

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

### Important dates for your diary...

Monday 11th December—PM—Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 class Christmas party



Monday 11th December—PM—Y5 and Y6 class Christmas party

Wednesday 13th December—Last swimming session of the term for Y4

Thursday 14th December—PM—Y3 and Y4 class Christmas party

Friday 15th December—9.05am—Parent Information Coffee Morning

Monday 18th December—2.30pm—Christmas carol service at SGTM church

Tuesday 19th December—Christmas lunch in the school hall

Thursday 21st December—Last day of term—school finishes at 3.30pm, as usual

Monday 8th January—School opens—all children return for the new term

*Do you have a child who will be ready to start Reception or Nursery next September? Or do you know anyone else who does?*

Applications to Reception must be made through [eadmissions.org.uk](http://eadmissions.org.uk) by 15th January 2024 as well as applying to the school directly.

If your child is currently in St George the Martyr's Nursery then you must still apply.

**Our Nursery is completely free for full time places – please tell your friends and family!**



### Person of the Week!

Nursery - Ednayel  
Reception - Noah  
Year 1 - Alikhan  
Year 2 - Ibrahim  
Year 3 - Mohilam  
Year 4 - Anila  
Year 5 - Zaynab A  
Year 6 - Ambreen



### Attendance...

A huge congratulations to **YEAR 4** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** last week with **95%**!

Our attendance bear, George, will live in the Year 4 classroom next week.



*Well done Year 4!*

### Parent Information Coffee Mornings

We will be hosting our final Coffee Morning of the term on **Friday 15th December at 9.05am**.

Next topic: Challenging childhood behaviour  
*Would you like to hear some advice on how to manage tricky behaviour at home?*



Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided. All parents welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

### School Uniform—Lost property collection



On Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th December, from 3.30pm onwards in the hall, we will be putting out all lost property uniform items. Please do come along to see if any missing items belong to your child! We will not be able to hold on to any lost property still left after this.

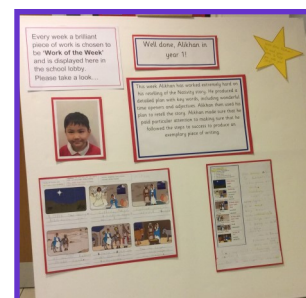
Parents are also welcome to bring along any good-quality second hand uniform as donations for other families.

### Work of the Week...

Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby.



Alikhan has produced a fantastic retell of the Nativity story. He produced a detailed plan with key words, which he then used to complete his extended writing. Alikhan included a range of adjectives and has superb presentation.  
*Well done, Alikhan!*



### Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mrs Whiteley or Miss Bhoday. **We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**



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**Winter Mini Challenge**

Join the  
**Ready, Set, Read!**  
& Listen too!



Borrow Box

**Winter Mini Challenge**

1 December 2023 - 19 February 2024

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Draw!  
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## St George the Martyr Church



### Our Prayer of the week

Dear God,  
You are peace even when  
there is hatred.  
Help us to forgive like you  
when we are hurt or  
wounded.  
Bring peace into our hearts,  
our classrooms and our  
homes.

Amen.



St George the Martyr Church offers a '**Parish Pantry**' with free non-perishable food and toiletries.

Anyone is welcome to simply pop in and help themselves.

The 'Parish Pantry' is open 10am-2pm on Tuesday-Thursday and 10am-12pm on Sunday.

