

# St George the Martyr C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 24th November 2023  
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the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder to please have a careful look at the 'Important dates for your diary' information overleaf. Our Autumn term music concerts are being held on Tuesday, and all parents are invited. We have also shared the dates for any upcoming trips and visitors, the class Christmas parties and the Carol Service in the church.

Please have a look further on for information on what to do if you think your child is being bullied or is involved in bullying.

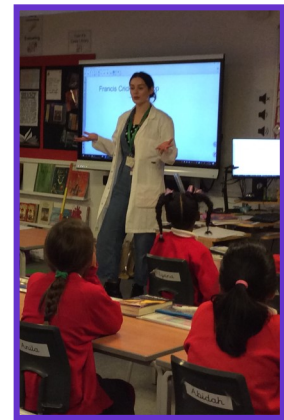
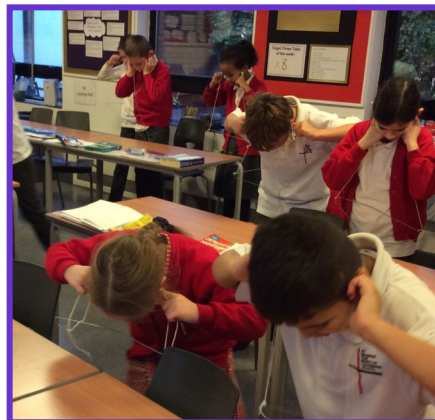
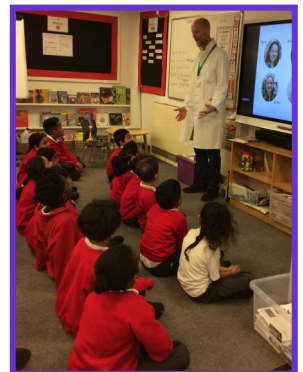
With best wishes, Mrs Whiteley (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

### Parents Working Alongside Children in Year 3

Year 3 parents enjoyed joining their children for a reading lesson last week. Many parents shared how high the standards for behaviour were in the classroom and that it was a pleasure to see how proud the children were of their work. Thank you to all parents who were able to join us for these sessions!

### Science: Visit from the Crick Institute

Scientists from the Francis Crick Institute visited many classes to lead exciting workshops. The children had an opportunity to carry out practical investigations, as well as use a range of specialist equipment! Well done to all of the children who demonstrated our values of 'excellence' and 'respect' by showing superb behaviour for learning.



I have received and read the St George the Martyr CE Primary School newsletter of 24.11.2023

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

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

### Important dates for your diary...

Tuesday 28th November—10.00am—  
Music Concert for Nursery, Reception,  
Y1 and Y2; 2.00pm—Music Concert for  
Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6



Wednesday 29th November—Y5 Vikings workshop  
in the school hall

Friday 1st December—Non-uniform day

Monday 4th December—Last week of after school  
enrichment clubs

Thursday 7th December—10am—Nativity  
performance for Y2 parents, 2.30pm—Nativity  
performance for Reception and Y1 parents

Friday 8th December—9.05am—Parent Information  
Coffee Morning

Friday 8th December—3.30pm—Christmas Craft  
Fair in the hall

Monday 11th December—PM—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

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

### Attendance...

A huge congratulations to  
**YEAR 6** for having the **BEST  
ATTENDANCE** last week with  
**99%!**



Our attendance bear, George,  
will live in the Year 6 classroom  
next week. *Well done Year 6!*

### Parent Information Coffee Mornings

This half term, we are continuing our weekly  
Coffee Mornings where we will share information  
and advice on a range of really useful topics.

Next topic: Bullying

*Would you like to hear  
some advice on what to  
do if you think your child  
is involved in bullying or  
being bullied?*



Then come along to our Coffee Morning on  
**Friday 8th December at 9.05am—there is no  
coffee morning next week.**

*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 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 - Hadi  
Reception - Ron  
Year 1 - Sezen  
Year 2 - Jessie  
Year 3 - Ela  
Year 4 - Ahil  
Year 5 - Chloe  
Year 6 - Hector

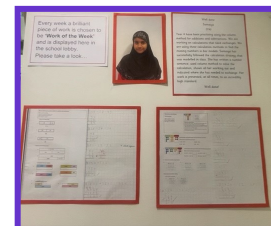


### Work of the Week...

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



Year 4 have been practising using  
the column method for addition  
and subtraction. Sumaiya has  
accurately completed a range of  
calculations. Her presentation is  
excellent, ensuring she has  
recorded one digit per box.  
*Well done, Sumaiya!*



### 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.**



Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to this week's coffee morning about what to do if you think your child is being bullied or is involved with bullying.

Please find some of the key information that was shared during the Coffee Morning below.

Do look at the 'Important dates for your diary' information to see when our next Coffee Morning is coming up. All parents are welcome to join us for this session.

**Is it Bullying?**

When someone says or does something *unintentionally* hurtful and they do it once, that's...

**Rude**

When someone says or does something *intentionally* hurtful and they do it once, that's...

**Mean**

When someone says or does something *intentionally* hurtful and they *keep doing it* - even when you tell them to stop or show them that you're upset, that's...

**Bullying**

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You will see this poster displayed around school.

We explicitly teach the child that if something happens that makes them upset, they should look at this poster and check:

**Is it rude?**

**Is it mean?**

**Or is it bullying?**

It is important we use the correct words.

**Be careful when using the word 'bullying'**

- It only becomes bullying when the behaviour is intentionally hurtful and repeated over a period of time.

- Often bullying involves an imbalance of power

We tell children that all kinds of bullying are **NOT OK.**

Please remind your child:

• **There is nothing wrong with you if you are being bullied, it can happen to anyone.**

• **It's not your fault, but there are things you can do about it!**

• Physical, verbal, emotional, racist, homophobic, transgender or cyber abuse can all happen without it being 'bullying'.

• It is still not ok if unkind behaviour happens to your child.

• The school will still deal with all incidents of poor behaviour and want to meet with parents to hear about it.

• If parents throw around the word bullying unnecessarily, it can make the child feel like a victim and blow an incident out of proportion.

**Remind your child that they must always tell an adult if they see or experience rude, mean or bullying behaviour.**

**What you should do if you believe your child is being bullied?**

• Don't panic. It can happen to anyone.

• Your key role is to: listen, be calm and provide reassurance that the situation can get better when action is taken.

• Try and establish the facts.

• What happened? When? Where? Who else saw/heard? What did your child say/do?

• It can be helpful to write this down to share with the school.

• Meet and discuss the situation with your child's teacher. Frequently a senior leader will also be present at this meeting.

## St George the Martyr Church



### Our Prayer of the week

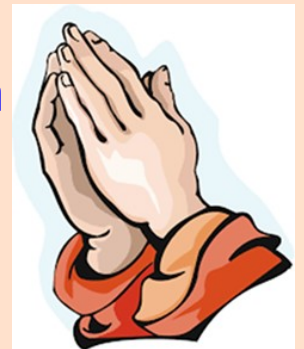
For those who are lonely or sad at this joyful time of year.

For those who are hungry and have no home of their own.

For all in our family, in our parish and in our school,  
Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give us hope in our hearts.

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.

