

St George the Martyr C of E Primary School Newsletter

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the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week children in all classes have been learning about aspects of gender, race and religious equality as part of the school's equality curriculum. We look forward to sharing some photos of their work in next week's newsletter. Look further on for information on how to support your child with reading at home.

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

History: Year 4's Ancient Greece workshop

Year 4 participated in a fantastic workshop where they learnt even more about what life would have been like in Ancient Greek times.

They took part in a range of activities, such as making pottery and using wax to build candles.

The day ended with a re-enactment of a Greek theatre, with all children having a chance to perform!



Poppy sale

To commemorate Remembrance Day, we are continuing to sell poppies on the gate next week.



Poppies will be on sale for £1.00.

Reading: Nursery and Reception's visit to Holborn Library

Children love listening to stories and this is one of the most important ways that children learn new words and phrases and new ideas. Nursery and Reception classes visited Holborn Library to show them what a fantastic place full of children's books the library is. They chose books they liked and listened to stories. Thank you to parents who came along to help and also read stories.

All of the children showed our value of 'excellence' by demonstrating superb behaviour throughout their visit.



I have received and read the St George the Martyr CE Primary School newsletter of 03.11.2023

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 7th November—Y1 visit—Local walk to Kings Cross

Thursday 9th November—Y5 visit—St Paul's Cathedral

Thursday 9th November—9.05am—Reception Parents Working Alongside Children

Friday 10th November—Y6 visit—RAF Museum

Friday 10th November—9.05am—Parent Coffee Morning

Thursday 16th November—9.05am—Year 3 Parents Working Alongside Children

Friday 17th November—9.05am—Parent Coffee Morning

Tuesday 21st November—School photographer in

Thursday 23rd November—9.05am—Year 4

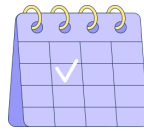
Parents Working Alongside Children

Friday 24th November—9.05am—Parent Coffee Morning

Tuesday 28th November—10.00am—Music

Concert for Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2;

2.00pm—Music Concert for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6



Attendance...

A huge congratulations to **YEAR 4** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** the week before half term with **98%**!

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



Are you interested in being a parent governor?

If you would like to find out more, please speak to Mrs Whiteley, pop in to the office or email us at admin@stgeorge.camden.sch.uk and we will invite you to some training on the role to help you decide if it is something you'd like to do.

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.

Our next topic: How to support your child with maths at home

Would you like to hear some advice on how to best help your child to develop their maths skills at home?

Then come along to our Coffee Morning on **Friday 10th November at 9.05am**. Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided.

All parents welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.



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!

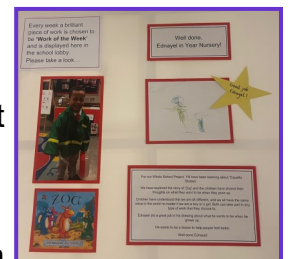
Nursery - Alex
Reception - Aaliyah
Year 1 - Zayn-Abdullah
Year 2 - Ayoub
Year 3 - Rose
Year 4 - Maya
Year 5 - Rafaella
Year 6 - Ella



Work of the Week...

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

As part of their learning this week, Nursery have been reading the story 'Zog.' The class shared what they would like to be when they grow up. Ednayel has drawn a fantastic picture of what he would like to be—a doctor so that he can help people! *Well done, Ednayel!*



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.**



It was lovely to see parents at our Parent Information Coffee Morning this week. The topic for this Coffee Morning was '**How to support your child with reading at home.**'

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 Mornings are coming up. All parents are welcome to join us for these sessions.

What is phonics?

Teaching children to read by linking letters to sounds.

Aa

Grapheme



Phoneme



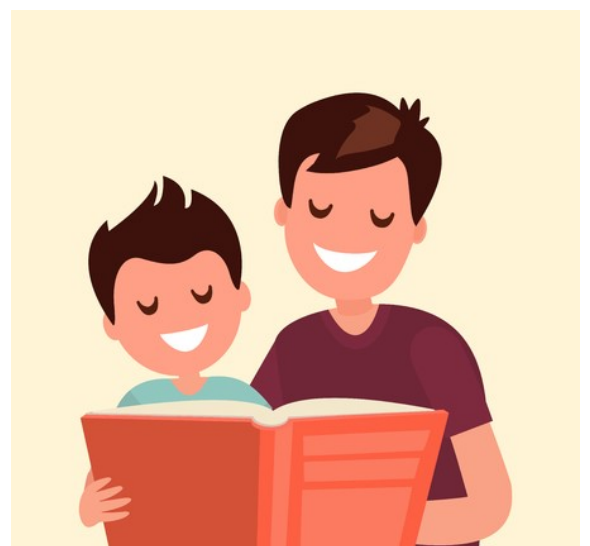
segmenting- breaking words down to their individual phonemes in order to spell.

blending- building words from their individual phonemes in order to read.



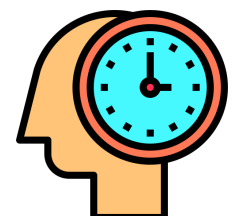
Top tips for reading with your child at home:

- Children need to see reading as a pleasurable experience
- It is not a high pressure time
- This needs to be modelled by the adults
- Make a regular time each day to read
- Make the experience interactive
- Read to your child as well as listen to them read to you
- Take your child to the local library to borrow books
- Read all kinds of text– stories, poems, information books, magazines, newspaper articles, and comics
- Read recipes, food labels, timetable, maps, instructions, advertisements, flyers, and brochures
- Ask your child what he or she would like to read about



If your child gets stuck...

1. Give them some thinking time.
2. Suggest they sound out the word and use their phonics.
3. Read on to the end of the sentence to see what word would make sense.



St George the Martyr Church



JOIN OUR WEEKLY
SUNDAY SCHOOL
ST GEORGE THE MARTYR CHURCH
44 QUEEN SQUARE, WC1N 3AH
10.30 AM

A chance for children to
encounter Jesus, make friends,
learn, play, create.

All children welcome
4 plus



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.



Our Prayer of the week

Dear God,
In the fading of the
summer sun,
the shortening of days,
cooling breeze,
swallows' flight and
moonlight rays: we see
the creator's hand.

In the browning of
leaves once green,
morning mists, autumn
chill, fruit that falls,
frost's first kiss; we see
the creator's hand.

Amen

