

Friday 6th December 2024

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Go, shine in
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder that the last day of term is Friday 20th December. Children must be in school until the end of term, so that they do not miss out on important learning. We understand that flights are cheaper before and after the holidays, but I'm afraid this does not count as an exceptional reason. All children must be back in school on Monday 6th 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 also read on for some information about cost of living support provided by Camden.

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

'Wiggly 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'!



Sometimes parents mistakenly believe that missing school in the days before Christmas to go on holiday won't matter because "schools are only doing Christmas stuff anyway". Not at our school! Children continue learning the full curriculum right up to the end of term. Being absent from school in the last week will result in a child missing important curriculum lessons that they won't be able to catch up with. In January, we start curriculum lessons from the first day back. Children tell us they feel very worried when they have missed school and don't understand the learning because they missed out. Help your child to feel confident and successful at school by attending every day before and after the Christmas holidays.



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.

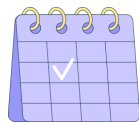


I have received and read the St George the Martyr CE Primary School newsletter of 06.12.2024

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 9th December—Final week of after-school clubs
Monday 9th December—PM—Reception, Y1 and Y2 class Christmas party
Tuesday 10th December—PM—Y5 and Y6 class Christmas party
Thursday 12th December—PM—Y3 and Y4 class Christmas party
Friday 13th December—9.05am—Friends of St George the Martyr (PTA) meeting—planning for the uniform swap
Monday 16th December—2.00pm—Christmas Carol Service at SGTM church
Friday 20th December—3.30pm—End of term
Monday 6th January—Pupils back at school

School Uniform—Lost property collection & swap



On Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th 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.



Person of the Week!

Nursery - Idanna
Reception - Aruzhan
Year 1 - Aaliyah
Year 2 - Webnesh
Year 3 - Ibrahim
Year 4 - Yusuf
Year 5 - Sakura
Year 6 - Ivy



Attendance...



A huge congratulations to **Year 5** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** last week.

Our attendance bear, George, will live in the Year 5 classroom for the next week.

Well done Year 5!

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 2025 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!

Work of the Week...

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



This week in English, Year 2 have been learning about the features of comic strips.

Inspired by their class text 'Traction Man', Kevin has produced a fantastic strip retelling one of Traction Man's most exciting adventures.



He has included captions and speech bubbles to add detail. Kevin's presentation is also superb!

Well done, Kevin!

Thank you for sharing your wonderful work with us!

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 Mrs Marsh. **We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**



Cost of Living Support

- **Camden well and warm service:**

Free home energy advice over the phone and through home visits to council tenants

Call: 020 7974 6207

- **Seasonal Health Intervention Network (SHINE)**

Provides affordable warmth and health services for Camden residents. SHINE operators can check your eligibility for grants and discounts on your utility bills

Call: 0800 801 738 on Mon-Friday, 9am to 5pm

- **Boiler Upgrade Scheme**

Provides grant assistance for home owners and businesses to replace fossil fuel heating systems with a heat pump or biomass boiler.

- Grants are available for up to:
- £5,000 towards an air source heat pump
- £6,000 towards a ground source heat pump
- £5,000 towards a biomass boiler
- Check your eligibility by scanning the QR code.



- **Mayor of London Advice Line**

Get advice on saving energy and water. Provide advice on reducing energy bills, accessing support, installing renewables and more

Call: 0808 196 8260

Cost of Living Support

- **WISH+(Warmth, income, safety and health) service**

A way for Camden residents to get access to a range of warmth, income, safety and health services (WISH)

Make a referral for yourself. Scan the QR code



- **Housing renewal assistance policy**

Aims to improve standards and affordability in the private rented sector.

The Warm Home Grant – provides up to £8000 to support the installation of approved energy efficiency measures

The Warm Homes Grant Repair – provides up to £1000 to repair space heating systems that are out of warranty

Eco Grant – provides up to £2,500 per installation and £5,000 per property to install renewable energy systems

- **Connected for Warmth**

Installs heat pumps and insulation measures for homeowners and private renters to improve the energy efficiency of their homes.

Scan to check your eligibility for support



Heating



Insulation

St George the Martyr Church

SAINT GEORGE THE MARTYR
QUEEN SQUARE

ALL FUNDS
RAISED GO TO
PROJECT 300

CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Saturday
7TH
December
12 to 4pm



FESTIVE FOOD STALLS
GIFTS, RAFFLE
PRE-LOVED FASHION
WINTER COAT SWAP

plus... gift wrapping, carols,
crafts & much more...

FREE
TICKETS



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QUEEN SQUARE

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CHRISTMAS MARKET

WE NEED:

NEW AND GOOD CONDITION PRELOVED

CLOTHES
TOYS
BOOKS

COATS FOR OUR COAT SWAP

NEW MAKE-UP AND GIFT SETS

PRIZES FOR THE RAFFLE

**INCLUDING VOUCHERS, WINE,
BOXES OF CHOCOLATE**

**CAN BE DROPPED TO THE CHURCH ON
TUESDAY 3RD & WED 4TH DECEMBER
OR EMAIL
OFFICE@SGTM.ORG FOR AN ALTERNATIVE**

**CAKES & COOKIES
FOR OUR BAKE STALL
CAN BE DROPPED OFF ON THE DAY OR
FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER**

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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.

