



Good News



St. George's CE Primary School Newsletter – March 2018

World Book Day



Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance		Punctuality	
Year 1	95.8%	Year 1	97.7%
Year 2	96.3%	Year 2	97.7%
Year 3	94.7%	Year 3	96.4%
Year 4	96.8% 	Year 4	98% 
Year 5	96.4%	Year 5	97.4%
Year 6	95.6%	Year 6	97.5%

Thank you to all parents who make sure their children are on time every day.

Well done to everyone who has managed to get to school on time for the 8:30am start.

Remember expected attendance is **96%** or better.

Outstanding attendance is **98%**.

Hello, Goodbye and See You Soon

Miss Povey

As I mentioned earlier in the term, Miss Povey is leaving us for pastures new in the NHS. We wish her every success in her new job and know we'll see her again for wake and shakes and superstar trips. Thank you so much for everything you've done over the last twelve years.



Miss Trevillion

Miss Trevillion is coming back early from Australia and will be joining us again straight after Easter. We're thrilled to have her back on the team. She will be working across the school, supporting groups and covering some of Mrs Reed-Drake's teaching commitments while she's on maternity leave.

Just so you don't get a surprise...she is coming back from Australia with a baby bump and will be heading off on maternity leave at the beginning of September.



Mrs Reed-Drake

Mrs Reed-Drake will begin her maternity leave on Friday 4th May. We wish her lots of love and luck with the arrival of Baby Reed-Drake and look forward to a cuddle once he or she has arrived. We look forward to welcoming her back in the new year.



Oral Health at St. George's



King's College Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust



Have concerns about your child's dental health?
Come and discuss it.
The oral health team will be visiting St. George's school on the 20th of June 2018 at 14:00pm in the main hall.



Providing tips on :

- Tooth brushing
- Sugars in diet
- Dental visits
- free toothpaste sample

Meal Prices

From 1st April, the school meal prices are increasing. Meals will now be £2.20 a day or £11 per week. Please make sure that your dinner money bill is up-to-date. If you need any support with this, please come and speak to Miss Sharper in the office.



If you think you may have become eligible for free school meals, please come to the office so they can check for you straight away.

Attendance and Punctuality

We really need your help next term.

This term we've had lots of poorly children and adults and we need to work hard together to improve our attendance next term. After Easter, Mrs Collymore will be arranging meetings with anyone whose child has attendance below 90%. Any attendance under 90% is classed as persistent absenteeism and can result in you being taken to court and fined. This can also trigger meetings at the Education Welfare Department in Wandsworth and social services involvement. We want to work with you to avoid this so please make sure you attend these meetings if you are asked to.

We know that sometimes home life can go through ups and downs and we have lots of systems in place to support families who are struggling with attendance and punctuality. Mrs Collymore and Mrs Povey can support with routines at home if this is having an impact on getting to school on time. We can arrange for children to be collected from home and put rewards in at school for children if they need incentives. We can even give you an early morning wakeup call if that would help.

Good habits of attendance and punctuality are important life skills and we ask that you work with us to make sure that your children are on time every day and in school as much as possible. It really does make a huge difference.

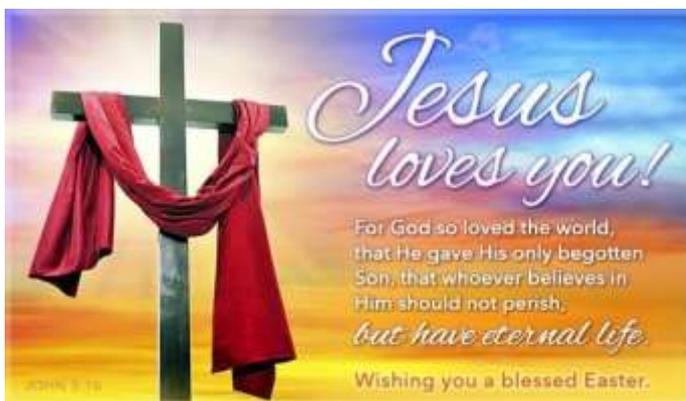
Easter 2018



It has been lovely to be in school for Holy Week this year and celebrate Easter together. As we leave school this Maundy Thursday, we think about Jesus humbling himself and washing the disciples' feet before their Passover meal together. Through this action, Jesus showed his disciples that He was prepared to serve others and asked them to do the same when he was gone.

In communion today we sang the beautiful Easter hymn, *Servant King*. The last verse is so fitting for Maundy Thursday,

*So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone Him,
Each other's need to prefer,
For it is Christ we're serving.*



We talk to the children a lot about serving and service. We think about what this looks like in practice and how we can serve others. Easter time is an opportunity for us all to think about how we can serve others in our families and in our communities so that we too can follow Jesus' example.

Wishing you all a blessed Easter. Mrs C

Online Uniform Shop

Over the last few months, many of you have asked about moving systems such as uniform and dinner money online. From June, our school uniform shop will move online. We will send a letter with more details after the holidays about the specifics of logging on etc. Between now and May half term, we will be selling off the uniform that we have left in school. Please speak to the office if there's anything you would like to buy.



Parent Questionnaires

Thank you so much to everyone who completed a questionnaire at parents' evening. Your feedback is so helpful for us to keep making improvements to move the school forward. The results were overwhelmingly positive and it was lovely to read your positive comments about the team and all of their hard work. The two main points to explore together from your feedback were clubs and homework. We have found a couple of new companies to work with for clubs so look out for the new clubs list that came out yesterday. We will continue to look at homework and the best way to do this.



100% of the replies felt that the children were happy, safe, well looked after and well taught in school.

Special Educational Needs Support



After the holidays, Mrs Brailey will be sending out forms to all parents whose children are receiving additional support in school. Once you have received this, if you would like to speak to Mrs Brailey, please book an appointment with the office.



Email Addresses

Lots of parents have started to ask about communicating by email. The office have sent this newsletter to you on email as a test. Please let Miss Batman or Miss Sharper know if you don't receive it so we can check the email address we have on record for you. Once we have the system up and running, we will begin to send all communications to you on email. Please remember to let us know if you change your email address or mobile number so that our texts and emails always get to you.

Pyjama Day

Thank you to Pupil Parliament for organising our first Pyjama Day. So far we have raised £250 towards the water fountains. Thank you to everyone who contributed. You still have time to bring in your contributions.



School starts on
Monday 16th April at 8:30am
Check the website for other dates next term.

Remember to check out the class pages on the school website for more information about next term.

www.st-georges.wandsworth.sch.uk