



ST GEORGE'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

February Newsletter 2024

A MESSAGE FROM MS HALES

As we reach the end of another fulfilling half-term at St. George's, I wanted to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful staff, parents, and to celebrate the successes of our pupils.

First and foremost, I want to express my deepest gratitude to our dedicated teaching and support staff. Your creativity, patience, and dedication to nurturing our students' growth and development do not go unnoticed. Your efforts behind the scenes, in the classrooms, and around the school have contributed immensely to the positive and enriching learning environment that our children thrive in.

To our incredible students, I want to say how proud we are of each and every one of you. Your enthusiasm for learning, your resilience in overcoming challenges, and your willingness to support one another are truly commendable.

Together, as a school community, we have achieved so much in this half-term, and it's important to take a moment to celebrate these achievements, big and small.

Some points of note from this half term:

- The compliments about the behaviour and engagement of our children on school trips. Southwark Cathedral were so impressed with Year 5, The British Museum with Year 4, Surrey Docks Farm with Year 2 to name but a few.
- The Royal Horticultural Society choosing to discuss a new children's brand with the children of St. George's. Enjoy those free tickets to Wisley Gardens Years 4, 5 and 6.
- The parents that have successfully downloaded and begun to actively use the Arbor app. Moving forward this will make payments, communication and sharing of information easier.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education journey. Your involvement makes a significant difference,

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break filled with joy, laughter, and quality time spent with loved ones.

Warm regards,

Ms Hales



A MESSAGE FROM MR ROJAS

The South London Saints Partnership continues to grow and flourish. One recent highlight has been the successful completion of cross-school observations. It was an enriching professional development opportunity for our teachers and is already enhancing the quality of education we provide to our students.

I am happy to announce that following the consultation on the proposed two-week half-term holiday with parents and staff, the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Therefore after the summer holiday, school will resume on September 3rd 2024. The October half term holiday will now be two weeks long. School will close on Friday 18th October and we will return on Monday 4th November 2024.

Thank you for your continued support and feedback as we strive to enhance the educational experience for our students.

Have a wonderful half term and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Mr Rojas

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SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY

A MESSAGE FROM MR WREN

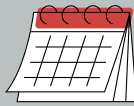
As always we strive at St George's to be an inclusive school where all differences are embraced and every child supported to achieve. This half-term teachers and support staff have worked tirelessly to individualise learning and, for those who need it, we've made good use of our break out rooms and sensory spaces. We

continue to work with our Speech and Language Therapist, Educational Psychologist, CENMAC and a range of other professionals to support individual learning requirements. If you have any concerns that your child might have Special Educational Needs do speak to Mr Wren or send an email to

sen@stgps.org.uk



UPCOMING EVENTS



- Fri 9th Feb - School closes for half-term**
- Mon 19th Feb - School opens for Spring 2**
- Weds 21st - Charity Focus Day**
(each class will be looking at the work of a charity)
- Weds 28th & 29th Feb - Year 3 & 4 Bikeability**
- Thurs 29th - Year 3 Road Safety Talk**
- Fri 1st March - Year 4 Bikeability**
- Week beginning Mon 4th March:**
 - **Book Week begins**
 - **Year 5 Bikeability begins**
- Fri 8th March - STGPS World Book Day**
What will you wear this year?
- Week beginning Mon 11th March:**
 - **Balance Bike for Year R, 1 & 2 begins**
 - **STEM week**
- Tues 12th March - Year 5 School Trip**
- Weds 13th March - Parents Evening**
- Thurs 14th March - Parents Evening**
- Fri 15th March - Year 6 School Trip**
- Fri 15th March - Year 5 Class Assembly 2:45pm**
- Fri 22nd March - Year 2 Class Assembly 2:45pm**
- Thurs 28th March - Easter Church Service**
All parents are welcome to attend the service at St. George's Church service at 9:30
- For your information - key dates for summer term:**
 - Fri 26th April - Year 1 Class Assembly 2:45pm**
 - Fri 3rd May - Reception Class Assembly 2:45pm**
 - Mon 6th May - Early May Bank Holiday**
 - Fri 10th May - Year 3 Class Assembly 2:45pm**
 - Fri 24th May - Year 4 Class Assembly 2:45pm**
 - 27th-31st May - Half term holiday**
 - 17th/18th July - Year 6 Performance**
 - Thurs 25th July:**
 - **Year 6 Leavers Service 9:30am**
 - **School closes at 2pm for Summer Holidays**



STGPS School Vision and Values

'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'

- Sustainability** – we are a community that cares for God's creation.
- Transformation** – we are continually growing as individuals.
- Generosity** – we are generous in our love and care for each other.
- Perseverance** – we always strive to do our best.
- Stewardship** – we care for our resources.



WELLBEING



This term Y1-6 have had wellbeing workshops from The Nest (<https://thenestsouthwark.org.uk/>) to learn about Zones of Regulation. Zones of Regulation are something we are rolling out across the school to give children and staff a common language to speak about feelings and emotions, learning strategies to help our pupils to be in the green zone during class time which is the best for learning. This parent guide video explains what that is and why more and more schools are using Zones of Regulation: <http://tinyurl.com/44vzwzkd>



GARDENING



Spring is definitely in the air!

Ms Pascale will be starting her weekly gardening sessions with children after the holidays.

BORED DURING HALF TERM?

Join Ms Pascale and Ms Hales for a gardening session on Thursday 15th February 10:30-12:30 (both children and adults welcome)

REMINDER:

A free holiday club is being run at St. George's on 13th and 14th February. To book scan the QR code.

