

# St George's C of E Primary School

## Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Children In Need**



Last Friday, the children came to school in their brightly coloured clothes to raise money for Children In Need. We raised a total of £97 which will go directly to the charity. Thank you for your support.

### **Parent Survey Results**



On Wednesday, you received the results of this year's Parent Survey, both hard copy and via Parentmail. Please do take the time to look at the information and read all the comments. Once again, thank you for your responses, and for your support. I am very proud of our school and would like to thank everyone involved in the school community for the part they play in making St George's a lovely place to be.

### **Bigfoot Arts Education**



On Monday, the Key Stage Two children all took part in a workshop with Bigfoot Arts Education. The workshops focused on teamwork and physical performance and the children had a wonderful time trying new activities and learning new skills. See over the page for further details and photos.

### **Staff Update**



I am pleased to tell you that Mrs Adams has joined our support staff team, working at lunchtimes and every afternoon to support our youngest pupils, in Explorers. Welcome to the team, Mrs Adams, it's great to have you on board!

### **Happiness Heroes**



We now have a team of Happiness Heroes, whose role is to help everyone in the school look after their wellbeing and develop their character strengths. We have had two committee meetings so far and have achieved the following:

- ☺ A Happiness Heroes board to introduce the ambassadors
- ☺ Each Happiness Hero has designed a poster to display around the school
- ☺ Plans for an assembly to outline the roles and responsibilities of our Happiness Heroes—coming soon!

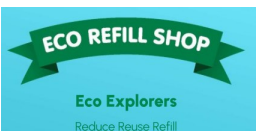
### **Essex Police Tending Christmas Giving Tree**



This year, we will once again be supporting the Essex Police Christmas Giving Tree Appeal. This appeal takes donations of Christmas gifts for vulnerable and disadvantaged children in the local area and has been running successfully for six years. Gifts must be new and unwrapped and suitable for children of any age. Please bring your donated gifts to the School Office by **Friday 12th December**.

Please [see page 4](#) of the newsletter for further details. Thank you in advance for your support.

### **Eco Refill Shop**



Our Eco Refill Shop will be running after school next Friday 28th November. Please support us if you can!

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

*Mrs Keitch*

# Navigators News



This week in Navigators we have embarked on the second topic unit of this half term: *Go With The Flow!* As such, we have been exploring the human circulatory system and its various parts. The week started on a high note with Bigfoot Arts Education, who came to the school to teach the children of Navigators and Adventurers Class a range of non-verbal teamwork activities and engaging performance skits. The children had great fun using their bodies to imitate the actions of a beating heart, playing the Zip-zap-boing game and performing an intricate, multi-part final skit!



As an encore to Monday's workshop, Navigators have gone one step further and used fantastic teamwork skills to demonstrate the workings of the entire circulatory system, with children playing the roles of the heart, the lungs, red blood cells, the (somewhat bossy) brain and the rest of the body. The performance complimented the scientific diagrams the children had drawn, and invited many great questions about the way the body works (as well as a range of strong theatrical performances).



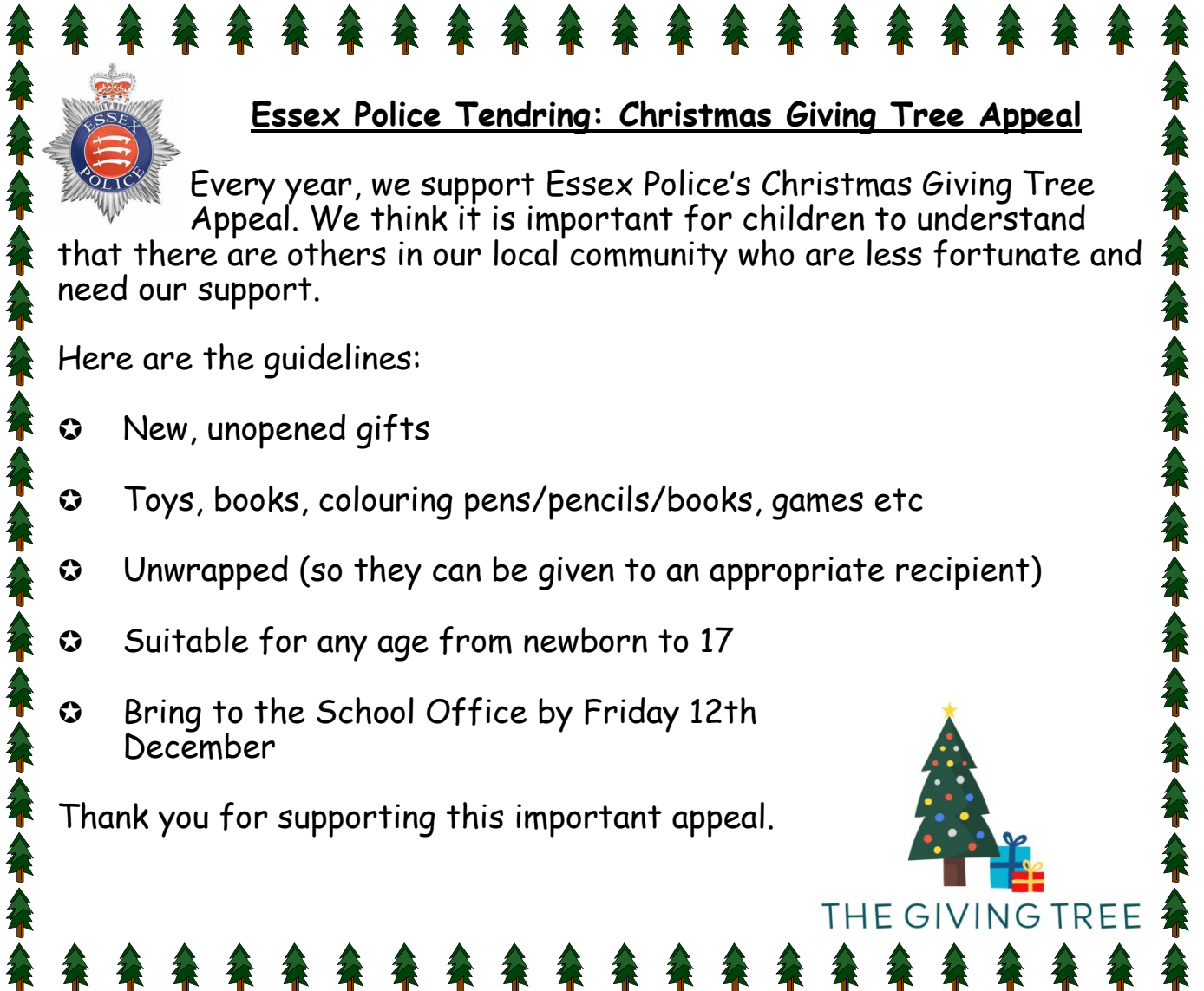
In English this week, the children have been pushing their writing skills to the limit and drawing from the graphic novel version of the classic novel *'Tom's Midnight Garden'*. The children have been highly engaged with questions about the nature of the grandfather clock and the garden, and how Tom actually gets there. They have each written a letter to a friend about a frightening experience during a thunderstorm, and used all of the grammatical features they have learned so far this year, resulting in some of the most expressive and emotive writing yet.




## Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

Thursday 4th December 2.00pm	Reception Christmas Singalong - details to follow
Friday 5th December	Whole School trip to Pantomime (Gt Bromley Village Hall) - see letter for details
Friday 5th December (after school)	Christmas Fair
Thursday 11th December	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performances (10.00am and 6.00pm) - details to follow
Monday 15th December	Christmas Dinner Day—details to follow Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December 2pm	Carol Service at St George's Church - parents invited
Friday 19th December	Last day of term
Monday 5th January 2026	First day of term for children




 **Essex Police Tending: Christmas Giving Tree Appeal**

Every year, we support Essex Police's Christmas Giving Tree Appeal. We think it is important for children to understand that there are others in our local community who are less fortunate and need our support.

Here are the guidelines:

- ✪ New, unopened gifts
- ✪ Toys, books, colouring pens/pencils/books, games etc
- ✪ Unwrapped (so they can be given to an appropriate recipient)
- ✪ Suitable for any age from newborn to 17
- ✪ Bring to the School Office by Friday 12th December

Thank you for supporting this important appeal.



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