

St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life

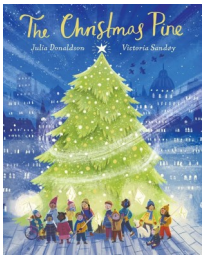


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Dear Parents and Carers,

Book Fair



Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair before half term. I am pleased to say that, with takings of just over £760, we have earned £304 in Rewards Points to spend at the Scholastic Online shop. We have already used some of our Reward Points to purchase books for the classroom, including a lovely Christmas-themed book for the Explorers children to use as part of their Drawing Club lessons.

Thank you, your support is very much appreciated.



Remembrance Day

On Sunday, a group of pupils joined me at St George's Church for the Remembrance Service. Darcy and Jonathan laid the school's poppy wreath at the memorial, where we took part in an Act of Remembrance. This was followed by a church service in which Alice, Bella, Nala and Benjamin read poems and the choir sang 'I Am The Earth'. The children were proud representatives of the school and spoke/sang beautifully.

On Tuesday 11th, the whole school gathered for an Act of Remembrance. Sienna, Benjamin, Lilly and Antoni helped me to deliver the readings and we listened to the Last Post before observing the two minutes' silence. All the children, even our very youngest pupils, were attentive and respectful—well done.



Basketball Tournament



On Thursday, a group of KS2 children took part in the Tendring School Sport Partnership District Basketball Competition at the University of Essex. Ten local schools took part and the St George's team placed fifth. Well done! The children displayed great sportsmanship, with one of our players even stepping in as a substitute for another school in need.

Thank you to Mrs Brown, Mrs Adams and Mrs Thorington for accompanying and supporting the children.

FREE: The Two Johns Online Safety session for parents

Last week, I sent you a flyer for an online safety session for parents on **Thursday 11th December at 8.00pm**. I would highly recommend registering for this if you can. The Two Johns work with hundreds of schools and they are very knowledgeable about current online safety matters. You can register for the session [here](#).

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch

Adventurers News

In Maths we have moved onto looking at multiplication and division. This started with us learning and consolidating our knowledge of the times tables. We are practising our recall of these multiplication tables whilst also looking for patterns in the answers to help us understand the links and the importance of doubling numbers to create the answer.



We have created some fantastic artwork using the style of pointillism. This was a style used by the French artist Georges Seurat (1859 - 1891). The children have created some amazing artwork which we have proudly displayed in the corridor at school.

In PE we have begun to develop our football skills whilst also thinking about the different strands of fitness. The children have learnt about how we can control our bodies whilst changing direction quickly over a short distance and how this feels different too when we need to move for a longer period of time.

In Dimensions we have started our new unit titled 'Under the Canopy'. We are working for a fictitious charity called Roots who have been approached by a bother and sister who have discovered a memory box left to them by great grandparents which currently make no sense to them. This has then led us to look at family trees and the meaning of our names when looking back at the origin of the names we are given. (I can't believe that Paul has a Latin meaning of small / humble when I'm 6 feet 2 tall!)

Finally in our English lessons we have started to study our new book Krindlekrax by Philip Ridley. This is a story of an unlikely hero who despite not fitting in at school and having few friends, proves that he believes in himself and what is right. The children have already produced some fantastic work looking at the main characters and the setting of the story.



Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

Monday 17th November	Adventurers and Navigators Workshops
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 2024	First day of term for children



Online Safety Resources

Keeping children safe online, particularly in games and via messaging apps, remains one of the top concerns of many parents and their children.

Internet Matters have a range of guides and articles to support parents and carers which I have listed below (with links):

[What is cyberbullying and what are the signs](#)

[Talking to children: conversation tips](#)

[Helpful ways to prevent cyberbullying](#)

[How to deal with cyberbullying](#)

[Parents' experiences of cyberbullying](#)



I have also added these links to the [Online Safety page](#) of our school website, where you can find lots more useful links, resources and guidance on a range of topics.

Please also consider registering for the [upcoming parent webinar](#) with The Two Johns (flyer attached to the email).