

St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Festival

We ended last week with our Harvest Festival at St George's Church. The Y5/6 children spoke beautifully and everyone sang with great enthusiasm! If you were able to join us for the service, I hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did. Thank you for all the generous donations for the Foodbank; these will be distributed in the coming days.

PJ Day!

At a recent School Council meeting, the counsellors discussed a popular request from children across the school—wearing pyjamas to school for the day! We have therefore decided to make Friday 24th October a PJ Day and we are asking the children to bring offerings for our Christmas Fair. Please see the attached flyer for further details. Thank you in advance for your support.

PTA Annual General Meeting

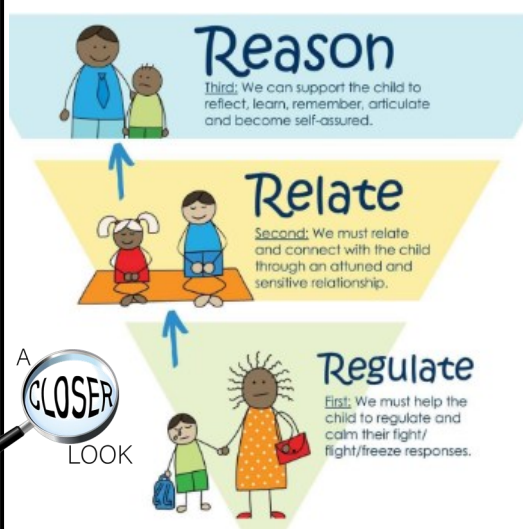
Please find attached information regarding the upcoming PTA AGM (Tuesday 14th October). Please join us if you are able to. Our PTA is not currently actively organising fundraising events; if you would like to get involved and support our school, please do come along and share your ideas.

Volunteers needed—can you help us?

Do you have a couple of hours a week to spare to support the children at St George's? We are in desperate need of reading volunteers to spend 1:1 time with children across the school, sharing and enjoying books. We place great importance on reading and we know that all children benefit from regular opportunities to read with an adult. If you are interested in offering your time, please contact the School Office. We would also be interested to hear from you if you are interested in volunteering your time to support within the classroom.



Spotlight on Inclusion and Trauma-Informed Practice



This image outlines the approach we take at St George's when a child is emotionally dysregulated. You may find it useful at home too!

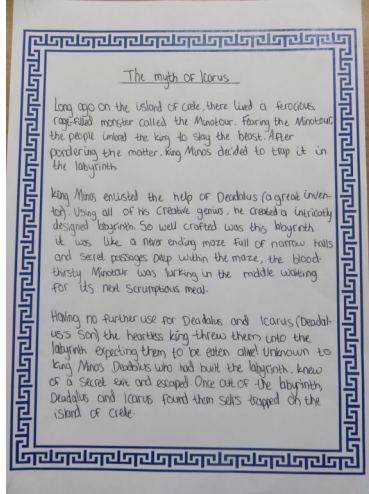
Firstly, it is important to ensure the child is calm before addressing the issue (**Regulate**). This is not 'giving in' or ignoring the behaviour; it is a necessary step and can take some time. Once the child is regulated, we can interact with them in a safe and undemanding way, in order to establish a connection (**Relate**). From here, we can by support the child to reflect and consider next steps (**Reason**). In this way, there is a genuine opportunity to explore the child's needs and feelings and to support them to learn from the experience.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch

Navigators

This week in Navigators, we have reached the conclusion of a journey through Greek mythology on a set of wings crafted by great inventor Daedalus. The children have each written a full narrative of the myth of Icarus and his tragic end, complete with a wide selection of grammatical features and literary devices.



In Maths, we have had a week crawling with factor bugs, and a fair few factor slugs (prime numbers) for good measure. The children have come a long way with their multiplication and division, and will be looking forward to their next Mathematics treasure hunt.

Some of the inventions that have sparked the most conversation this week have been the maglev train, the bicycle and the biro. The biro, at first, did not elicit great enthusiasm from many in the class, however, in the end the children were persuaded that the humble biro, brilliantly designed as it is, can stand alongside any great invention that could be mentioned.

At the beginning of the week, we looked at the Science of water resistance. The children thereafter finished building their paddle boats and testing them in sets of head to head races. Towards the end of the week, we shifted our attention to the study of friction, which included the use of weighted trays and Newton force metres.



Mr Johnston

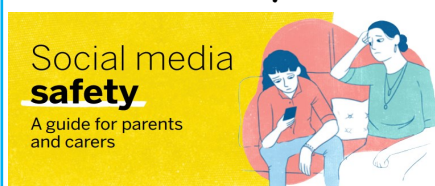
Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

Tuesday 21st October	Flu immunisations - you have been contacted directly by the NHS regarding permissions
Friday 17th—Friday 24th October	Book Fair in school (after school)
Tuesday 21st October and Thursday 23rd October	Parent Consultations - please book via the School Office
Friday 24th October	PJ Day! See flyer for info—donations for Christmas Fair
Monday 27th - Friday 31st October	Half term
Wednesday 5th November	Individual and sibling photographs - please return reply slip
Friday 14th November	Children in Need Day - details to follow
Thursday 4th December 2.00pm	Reception Christmas Singalong - details to follow
Friday 5th December	Whole School trip to Pantomime (Gt Bromley Village Hall) - details to follow
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

Children's Society Guide to Social Media



I have uploaded a new document to the Online Safety page of our school website. It is a Parents' Guide to Social Media, produced by the Children's Society. The guide includes information and advice on all the common Social Media apps used by children and young people, such as WhatsApp, Snapchat, Tik Tok, Facebook Messenger and

Instagram. There are also links within the Guide to further information. The Guide is also attached to this email.

Safeguarding Notice: 'Spy' books

Please ensure you have read the email sent on Thursday regarding concerns about the links within some copies of the Andy Cope 'Spy' books.

