



St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

CHOIR AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL!

On Monday, the Key Stage Two Choir took part in the Barnardo's Young Supporters Concert at the Royal Albert Hall. After a very long journey, we arrived in London and spent the day rehearsing with the Musical Director and all the other schools taking part. In the evening, we performed to a packed audience, alongside the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. The show was hosted by Natasha Kaplinsky and the special guest star was Heather Small, who performed her hit song 'Proud' with us. As you know, this song is particularly special to St George's as we listen to it in our weekly Celebration Assembly.



The children were amazing throughout the (very long) day and it was a truly unforgettable experience.

Thank you to Mrs Marsh, Mrs Sandell, Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Adams for spending the day with us and helping to ensure everything went smoothly.

Essex Family Forum meeting for parents

Please find attached to this email a poster advertising a parent meeting here at school on Monday 16th December at 9.00am. This is part of our involvement in the PINS project (Promoting the Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools) and is an opportunity for you to give your views about how we can further develop our approach to inclusion. This is something we feel passionately about as a school and we are keen to work alongside parents to support all children in the most effective way we can.

Essex Police Christmas Giving Tree Appeal

Thank you to those who have already donated new, unwrapped toys for this appeal. Please bring donations to the School Office by Monday 9th December - see over the page for further details.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch

Winter Safety Reminders

Winter has definitely arrived! With the turn in the weather, and the shorter days, we would like to give you a few reminders:

- ☆ Please ensure children have a coat, hat and gloves in school every day
- ☆ Please take care when entering the school grounds - we do our best to ensure there are no icy patches left by drop-off time but we ask that you are vigilant on the paths etc
- ☆ Please ensure you accompany your child across the road - do not drop them off at the roadside to cross alone.



**PRESENTS
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Protecting and serving Essex

Tendring Police Community Christmas Giving Tree

Donate a small toy or gift so we can deliver
to a vulnerable child this Christmas

Working with volunteers and partners to make Christmas in Tendring special for
everyone!

What? New, unopened toys/games/books

When? Please bring donations to the School Office
by Monday 9th December

Adventurers News

This week the Adventurers have become geography experts and have completed fieldwork at the church. The children had time to explore the human and physical features that are in our local area, and have used these skills to create a birds-eye view map of the church. As the children come to the end of their 'Out and About' unit, they are now keen geographers that can use atlases and find locations on maps using grid coordinates. The children are very excited for their next topic 'Viking Warrior' where they will explore Ragnar Lothbrok and learn all about how the Vikings lived.



Many of the children in class took part in the choir trip to the Royal Albert Hall. They came back the next day (very tired) and had a workshop run by Esther, a member of the Essex fire and police department. The children learnt how to stay safe at home, in the emergency of a fire, and completed activities to become experts in keeping their homes safe.



Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

Thursday 5th December	2pm Reception Christmas Singalong
Friday 6th December	Whole School trip to Pantomime (Gt Bromley Village Hall)
Thursday 12th December	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performances (morning and evening)
Friday 13th December	Christmas Discos
Wednesday 18th December 2pm	Carol Service at St George's Church - parents invited
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 20th December	Last day of term
Monday 6th January	First day of term for children
w/b 6th January	St George's Book Week
w/b 17th February	Half term break
Monday 24th February	Non-Pupil Day
Friday 4th April	Last day of Spring Term

Reception admissions for academic year starting in September 2025

The primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 4 November 2024**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2025.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2025**.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

All of the application information is available on the website above.



