



# St George's C of E Primary School

## Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Well done, Year Six!**

This week, the Year Six children have completed their Key Stage Two SATs tests. These are tests set by the Government and taken by all pupils in their final year of primary school. Our Year Six children were well-prepared and approached the week in a level-headed, manner. Each morning began with a special SATs breakfast which they thoroughly enjoyed.



*Well done, Year Six, you have done yourselves, your teacher and your school proud!*

### **Maypole Dancing Workshops**

On Thursday afternoon, each class took part in a Maypole Dancing workshop with Kate. Many children had never seen a maypole before and were mesmerised by the colourful ribbons. Each class learned a simple dance sequence, listening carefully to Kate's instructions and creating some beautiful patterns on the maypole.

Due to the changeable weather, we were unable to hold the workshops outside and therefore could not showcase the dances to parents but you will find some photographs over the page. Thank you very much to the PTA for treating our children to this lovely afternoon of traditional dancing!

### **Thank you!**

- ☺ Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Book Fair. Once all payments have been collated, I will let you know how much we have raised in Rewards points for our school.
- ☺ Thank you for donating bottles today for our Summer Fair. Preparations are in full swing and we really appreciate your contributions.

### **PE Uniform Reminder**

With the warmer weather finally here, please ensure that your child is wearing the correct Summer PE uniform:

- White Polo shirt with school logo (£7.00 - purchase from school office)
- Maroon shorts with school logo (£6.50 - purchase from school office)
- Plain black trainers

***Jewellery must not be worn for PE lessons***

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Keitch

# Maypole Dancing



Thank You  
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PTA!

# Pathfinders News

We have had a busy few weeks in Pathfinder class and have been enjoying the opportunity to explore lots of practical areas of the curriculum.

During our Math's learning we have been exploring how to measure the volume of liquids. We explored the concepts of full, half full and empty - we also experimented with which containers had a larger capacity. We worked hard to make good estimates and then test these to see if we were right. We really enjoyed measuring with the water!



In our Dimensions unit 'Never Eat Shredded Wheat', we have been learning all about compasses and directions. We have explored the giant compass on the playground and had great fun drawing our own compasses using chalk. We needed to make sure that we got each direction in the right place. We then had great fun playing directional games following our partner's directions.



## Congratulations Harry!



Harry was very proud to be asked to represent Great Bentley Youth Football Club by being a mascot for the adults team. He warmed up with them before walking out on to the pitch at the beginning of the game. He even got to help the photographer take some photos.

Harry was presented with a medal for doing such a great job.

What a fantastic experience, Harry!

## PTA Summer Fair We need your help!



- ☆ Please support our summer fair by bringing in sweet donations to the school office over the next two school weeks.
- ☆ We also have another non-uniform day coming up on Friday 7th June - please bring in your unwanted gifts - must be new and unopened/unused.

We are in **desperate need of additional volunteers** to help plan, organise and run the summer fair. If you cannot help out on the day but would like to show your support, there is plenty to be done in the lead-up to the event. Please contact the PTA committee on [pta@st-georges-pri.essex.sch.uk](mailto:pta@st-georges-pri.essex.sch.uk) or come and speak to the ladies in the Office. Thank you.

## Forest School 'Nightingale' Awards

**Lavender** - For being determined and not giving up when lighting your mini fire. Well done!

**Velvet** - For mastering the skill of creating sparks and going on to light your own mini fire. Well done!

**James** - For immersing yourself in Forest Schools and trying out all the activities on offer. You showed perseverance with the flint and steel and managed to light your own mini fire. Well done!

**Violet** - for being successful in lighting your own mini fire and going on to share your technique with friends to help them make sparks and light mini fires of their own. It was wonderful to watch you so confident to teach your peers – well done!

**Freddie** - For peer teaching how to use a flint and steel to light a mini fire. Well done!

**Charlie** - For being supportive and guiding a friend when they needed help getting down from the tree.

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th May - Friday 7th June	Sweet donations for the Summer Fair to the School Office
Monday 20th May	Navigators trip to Greenwich Museums
Monday 20th May 3.15 - 4.15pm	Year Three Open Classroom
Tuesday 21st May 3.15 - 4.15pm	Year Four Open Classroom
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	Half term break
Monday 3rd June	Return to school
w/b Monday 3rd June	Year Four Multiplication Check
Friday 7th June	Non Uniform Day - bring a regifting item
w/b 10th June	KS1 Phonics Screening
Monday 10th June	Y6 Chelmsford Cathedral Leavers' Service - see letter for details
Wednesday 12th June 1pm	Meeting for Y6 parents re transition - MHST team
Friday 14th June	Class photographs
Friday 14th June	Flower Festival performances at St George's Church - details to follow
Saturday 15th June	Summer Fair - Save the date!
Tuesday 18th - Friday 21st June	Navigators Residential trip
Monday 1st July	Year One, Two, Three and Four trip to Colchester Zoo
Tuesday 9th July pm	Sports Day - details to follow
Thursday 18th July 6pm	Navigators Production - performance to parents
Tuesday 23rd July	Last day of term Leavers' assembly pm

### **Office Hours**

Please note, the School Office is staffed until 4.00pm. Emails sent after this time will not be seen until the following morning. If you need to contact the school after 4.00pm, please phone 01206 230305 and we will do our best to answer your call.



**Our Stars of the Week this week are:**

**Explorers**

- Lily - for working hard on addition in Maths
- Amelie - for writing your won version of 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'



**Pathfinders**

- Fifi - for applying your Maths knowledge when working with fractions
- James - for sharing facts about our oceans and pollution, with enthusiasm



**Adventurers**

- Lucas - for perseverance in your Maths assessment and a good attitude to learning this week
- Luca - for focused work in English and producing an accomplished independent letter



**Navigators**

- Freddie - for persisting with your artwork and writing, and being brave after taking a tumble
- Violet - for showing eagerness and enthusiasm to achieve in every task and being a supportive team worker



**Lunchtime Awards go to:**

**Explorers**

- Angus - for eating well at lunch time and trying new foods

**Pathfinders**

- Jonathon - for always being polite in the dinner hall and lining up nicely



**Adventurers**

- Monroe - for playing nicely with friends

**Navigators**

- Freddie - for settling in well to the lunchtime routine and being polite and friendly



**Reader of the Week Awards go to:**

**Explorers**

- Noah - for persevering with your phonics and reading

**Pathfinders**

- Darcy L - for continued enthusiasm for reading

**Adventurers**

- Emily - for scoring 100% on your Oxford Reading quiz!

**Navigators**

- Lily-Rose - for a wonderful, colourful reading record and four good entries in one week

**Ark Appreciation Award:**

- Donovan - for being inquisitive in Explorers and taking the time to understand the eye gaze machine, whilst supporting Angus to complete his work

