



St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week you received the half-termly class letters and 'WISK' sheets via Parentmail and hard copy. I hope you find these helpful and informative.

Summer Term Dates

The Diary Dates on p5 of this newsletter have been updated. Please take a look and make note of the relevant dates, including Sports Day which is on Tuesday 9th July!

Uniform reminder

Please can I remind you of the importance of adhering to our uniform policy. Please see the [school website](#) for details.

I would particularly like to draw your attention to the following:

- ◇ Correct uniform should be worn at all times (other than Forest School days)
- ◇ Correct PE uniform should be worn (see over the page for a reminder)
- ◇ Long hair should be tied back
- ◇ Stud earrings are the only jewellery permitted. On PE days children should not wear earrings
- ◇ Makeup and nail varnish should not be worn.

Chocolate Workshops

Thank you to the PTA for organising a fantastic day of workshops for the children last Friday. The day began with a whole school assembly in which we learned all about the 'bean to bar' process. The children were able to see and handle cocoa pods and beans and had the chance to taste the cocoa nibs too. Throughout the day, each class took part in a hands-on workshop in which they created their own chocolate lollipops. What a delicious end to the week!

See over the page for photos!

New building

You will no doubt have noticed our new building next to the Dragon's Cabin. This is our long-awaited 'hub' which will give us some additional capacity to teach and support groups of children in a calm, quiet space. The smaller of the two rooms will be used for 1:1 meetings, counselling etc. Over the past year or so, our old ICT Suite has been repurposed as a physio/SEND support space; our new building will ensure we also have space to carry out small group work and private meetings.

Over the coming weeks, the rooms will be painted, decorated and furnished. We plan to have them ready before the end of term, in time for the new academic year!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Keitch

Chocolate Workshop Day!



We started the day with a whole School Assembly with Cheryl from 'Artistry in Chocolate'.



Thank you,
PTA, we had
a wonderful
day!

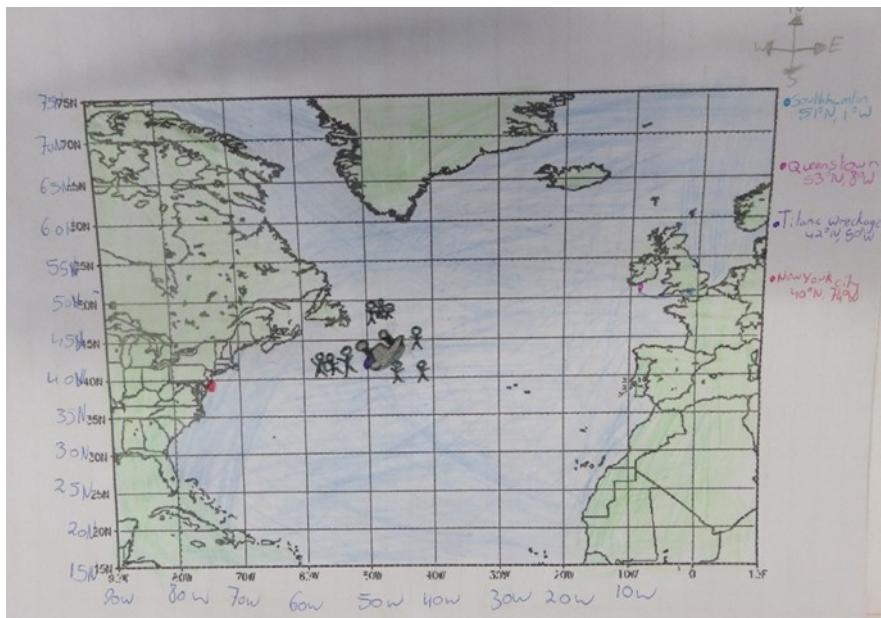


Navigators News

This week in Navigators has involved a voyage into geography on board none other than the RMS Titanic!

It has been wonderful to see how well the children have engaged with this term's topic unit, and I have seen Titanic models that they have created from cardboard in their own time, as well as Minecraft creations along the same line!

We have been learning about lines of latitude and longitude, and learning how to plot coordinates to find locations all over the globe. This culminated in a map, in which the children plotted the course of the ill-fated White Star vessel, and the location at which she tragically sank. The final product was a beautiful mix of geography, maths and art, as seen here:



One particular highlight of the week has to be the chocolate workshop, where the children learned about the science of the cocoa bean, as well as its application (to be turned into chocolate and eaten). It was amazing to see how many lovely lollipops came out of the workshop, though it has to be said that many of them didn't make it out of the hall without being scooped!

Mr Johnston

Reading Volunteers needed!

Can you spare an hour or two per week to read with our children?

Reading is such a fundamental part of learning and we promote a love of reading here at St George's. We try to provide as many opportunities for children to read during the school week, particularly those who do not read regularly at home.

Perhaps there may be some grandparents who would be keen to help out?

If you can spare an hour or two per week to read 1:1 with our children, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office to discuss.



Pre-loved Summer Uniform

Please consider buying from our selection of pre-loved items, available via the School Office. We have a really good stock of shorts and summer dresses, all £1.00 per item.

PE Uniform Reminder

Summer

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

Winter

White polo shirt with school logo

Plain black jogging trousers

Plain maroon sweatshirt (no hood)

Optional: a maroon sweatshirt *with the school logo* can be purchased via the school office for £9.25 - available now

Plain black trainers

Jewellery must not be worn for PE lessons

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct PE uniform.

Parent Pay Reminder

Please remember to keep your Parent Pay account topped up so that we can access payments for school meals, Wraparound etc. Please do not allow your account to go into deficit. There is a facility to set up a low-balance alert within ParentPay so that you receive a notification when funds are running low.

Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 30th April	Parent Maths Workshop session 2
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7th May	Non Pupil Day
W/b Monday 13th May	Y6 SATs week - further information to follow
Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May	Summer Book Fair
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	Half term break
Monday 3rd June	Return to school
W/b 10th June	KS1 Phonics Screening
Wednesday 12th June	Parent meeting re transition - MHST team - details to follow
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 - further details to follow
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.



