



St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Roots to Food Workshop

On Thursday, the children took part in a fantastic cooking workshop called 'Roots to Food'. See over the page for more information and some photos of our budding chefs.



The children worked in teams to prepare and cook a delicious dish, Japanese Teryaki chicken noodles. I have attached the recipe to the email version of this newsletter. Perhaps you would like to have a go at cooking the dish with your child at home - if so, please send us a photo!

Friday 1st December: Non-Uniform Day - Bring a bottle!

Next Friday, 1st December, will be a Non Uniform Day. Please bring along a bottle for the Christmas Fete. This might be bubble bath, sauce, soft drinks, or wine/beer etc. If you are donating an alcoholic drink, please bring it straight to the School Office.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Staffing Update



Welcome to Emma Pegram, our new cook. Emma has lots of experience in kitchens, most recently at the Colchester MOD barracks. She is enjoying getting to know the kitchen and the children.

We will be in touch next week with information about this year's Christmas Dinner !

Children In Need

Thank you to everyone for taking part in last week's Non Uniform Day fundraiser for Children In Need. We raised a total of £121.45!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch



Ready Steady Cook!

On Thursday, all the children took part in a cooking workshop called 'Roots to Food', provided by our school meal providers, TCS.

Darren set the school Hall up with several cooking stations and the children worked in teams to prepare and cook a healthy meal. Along the way, they learned some vital information about nutrition, food safety, kitchen hygiene and healthy eating.

Here are some photos of our St George's chefs enjoying their cooking sessions!

From Darren:

"It was an absolute pleasure to visit St Georges and cook with the children and staff. The children demonstrated terrific cooking practices, techniques and nutritional value. Staff support was tremendous."



Tesco 'Stronger Starts' Blue token scheme

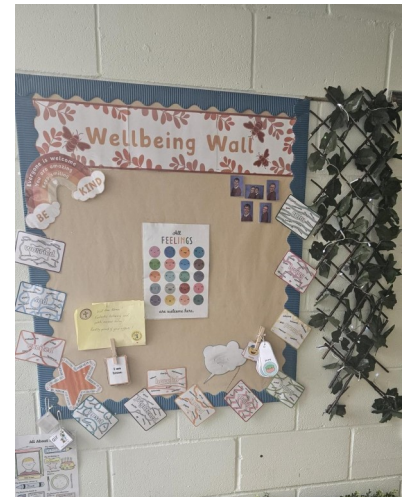
Don't forget to spread the word - please vote for St George's!!

Stronger TESCO
Starts Every little helps

Welcome to The Ark!

Welcome to The Ark.....an area that we have created for all the children of St George's to use when they are feeling overwhelmed or just need some peace and quiet for a while. The children have been a huge inspiration for the design of this beautiful space and chose the idea of The Ark from the story where the animals needed to seek shelter and found comfort amongst each other.

The Ark is used for quiet learning, as well as being a place to snuggle up and read a book or play a board game or two.....and we are very thankful for all the contributions that we have received so far from the parents of St George's....a big Thank You to you all.



This lovely space has become a real hive of a community, where everyone supports each other and makes everyone feel welcome.



We are going to be introducing Ark Appreciation Awards that will be presented in Celebration assembly on Fridays. These awards will celebrate those who have shown support, understanding and kindness towards others throughout the school as well as The Ark, and also those who have overcome challenges throughout the week by using the skills we promote and the core values the school have at the heart of its community.

Thank you to all of the children who have helped develop this space for our whole school to enjoy.

Mrs O'Sullivan, Miss Harris, Miss Brown and Mrs Pip

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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 Friday 8th December

Thank you in advance for your support.



Squash Success!

Well done to Isyla in Navigators who won a squash tournament with her squash club, 'Off the Wall'. Isyla plays in the Y6 Girls' category and won each of her four matches to win the tournament.

Isyla stood up in assembly to tell the whole school about her achievement and to showcase her winner's medal.

Fantastic work, Isyla, well done!

Coastal School

The children were wowed on arrival at the beach today. Tide tides were the best we've had and there was masses of beach to explore. The weather stayed dry and we were greeted with a rainbow overhead!



We spoke about the intertidal zone; the area of beach that stretches from the lowest to the highest tide and the risks associated with low tides. The children were warned of the dangers of walking on this area of beach due to soft sand/mud. Another consideration we discussed was having respect for rockpools and replacing rocks carefully to avoid any damage to the environment and living things.



Everyone was keen to explore the widespread beach and took a small tray to collect anything of interest. We found slipper limpets by the dozen, lots of beautiful shells, whelk cases and mermaids purses.



With the tide out, we were able to take a closer look at 'Crab Island' where we crabbed from the sea wall last week. We thought about the best place to try today and decided to have a go in one of the larger rock pools using a lobster pot and bait... and caught a crab, much to Ellis' delight!



One final session to go – I wonder what next week will bring?

Nicky 'Nightingale' Powell



8TH DECEMBER 2023, 3.15-5PM
**ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH OF
ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**
GREAT BROMLEY
CHRISTMAS FETE

SANTA'S GROTTTO
CHRISTMAS THEMED GAMES
FACE PAINTING
HOT FESTIVE FOOD & DRINK
XMAS CUPCAKES & BISCUIT BAKE-OFF



We would love to invite you to our

Festive Coffee Morning

On **Saturday 9th December**

between **10am** and **12 noon** at

**St. George's Church,
Great Bromley, CO7 7TS**



There will be lots to enjoy in our lovely church

Refreshments of mulled wine/tea/coffee/ mince pies

A **Cake Stall**, a great **Raffle**, Childrens **Lucky dip**,
Christmas Arrangements to buy, some **Bric a Brac**,
Book stall, **Bag a Bola**, a few **Christmas bits**, etc.

Free Admission

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.



Dates for your Diary

You may wish to make a note of the dates below.

Further information will be sent out to you in due course.

Friday 1st December	Non Uniform Day - bring a bottle for the Christmas Fete
Friday 1st December	Navigators Circus Skills workshop - note change of date
Wednesday 6th December 2pm	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performance (see letter for details)
Thursday 7th December 6pm	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performance (see letter for details)
Friday 8th December	PTA Christmas Fete 3:15 - 5pm
Tuesday 12th December	Christmas Pantomime
Thursday 14th December	Reception Christmas Singalong (see letter for details) <i>*PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE*</i>
Friday 15th December 2pm	Carol Service at St George's Church - parents invited
Wednesday 20th December	Last day of term
Thursday 4th and Friday 5th January 2024	Non Pupil Days
Monday 8th January	First day of term for children
Week Beginning Mon 19th February	Half term
Thursday 28th March	Last day of term

Forest School 'Nightingale' Awards

Toby - For your creativity, making a bow from a curved stick, to support your role play.

Konon - For being enthusiastic about shelter building and working well as part of a group. You were proud to show off the base camp you had all made – well done!

Jacob - For being persistent with whittling, using both a butter knife and potato peeler safely. You have been keen to share your skills with friends and model how to whittle a stick into a point.

James - For a brilliant session this week, working well with a friend and using tools safely in the mud kitchen area.

Imogen, Ivy and Theodore - For fantastic team work, moving logs safely around the forest and building an amazing shelter. It was lovely to watch you all working together, problem solving and negotiating together.

