

St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Tag Rugby Tournament

Thank you to all the children who took part in the Tag Rugby Tournament at St Josephs on Monday 16th October. The children had been practising each Tuesday after school, during their Tag Rugby club - which is led by our parent volunteer, Mrs Brown.

The children drew one of their matches and won their other three remaining games. There were no winners announced during 'The Festival Of Sport' but they all came back with medals, beaming faces and were delighted to have done so well.

Well done to all involved and thank you to the adults who supported them whilst they took part in the matches - Mrs Brown, Miss Pells, and Mrs Sandell.



PTA Update

We are thrilled and excited to share more information with you on the Christmas Fete 2023. Please note there has been a change in date and this will now take place **3:15pm – 5:00pm on Friday 8th December 2023.**

This will be our first new committee event so are excited to see you all there to support the school, committee & community alike. It's set to be a fun filled event with warm festive food to fill our tummies!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch





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

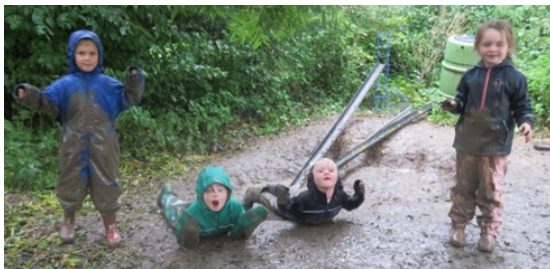
Pathfinders News

This week has been a fantastic week of learning! The children have really enjoyed our whole school focus of book week and have explored the lifestyle of The Sami people. We have explored the traditional story of 'The Fire Fox' a story which is important to the Sami people we created some fantastic hand print arctic foxes and used tissue paper to show the Northern Lights exploding across the sky. We have used many different materials to represent the Northern Lights, our favourite has to be our chalk techniques. We have also created our own Northern Lights dance and made Northern Lights bracelets to enhance our dancing and twirling across the arctic sky.



As our book 'The Children of the North Lights' focusses on the lifestyle of The Sami people, we have learnt all about the importance of reindeer to their way of life. We have learnt lots about reindeer and have become reindeer experts- we wrote our own fact files and think we could herd our own reindeer now!

Finally, Pathfinders have enjoyed a fantastic albeit very wet Forest School session. The children explored the mud pit and shelter making in the rain and their grins following this session was truly amazing! We know that children got very muddy but the memories they made will last a lifetime and thank goodness the mud washes out!



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

Remembrance Day 2023

Throughout next week, children will be able to purchase items from the British Legion Poppy appeal ahead of Remembrance Day.



Items available:

£1.00 Minimum suggested donation:

Snap bands
Wristbands

50p minimum suggested donation:

Keyring
Rubber
Zip pull

These will be sold during the school day. If you wish your child to purchase an item, please send in their donation in a named envelope to be given to the class teacher on arrival at school.

Alternatively, parents can purchase items from the school office.

Act of Remembrance and Remembrance Day Service Sunday 12th November

This will take place at the memorial on the corner by the church car park at approximately 10.45am. This will be followed by a Remembrance Service at St George's Church, at which St George's pupils will be singing and providing readings. It would be lovely to see some St George's families at the service too.

Autumn Disco 2023 - Friday 10th November

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

4:00 - 5:00pm in the school hall.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

5:15—6:15pm in the school hall.

Please drop your children off at the link door and do not accompany them into the hall. Parents, please take any coats, hats, scarves or gloves home with you.

We will allocate a quieter and lighter room for children who require a calmer environment. Please provide a named pair of ear defenders, if your child has them.

**Last date to sign up for the disco:
Monday 6th November**



Coastal Schools

Session 3 was an altogether different experience at the beach this week. High tide was expected at 12:45 and rain was forecast. We went further along the sea wall to an alternative location in case we needed to seek shelter but were lucky enough to avoid any showers.

There were lots of discussions around tides and what causes them. The children were introduced to Spring and Neap tides which both occur twice a month. We looked at the tide timetables on the information board and spoke about reasons why tide times vary and suggested why the tide may have come in quicker than expected today.



Some children worked together to dig moats and create sea walls with sand and stones while others enjoyed watercolour painting. We looked at examples of natural land art and Isla created some fantastic examples, herself!



As the session was cut short due to rising tides, we enjoyed a hot chocolate together and carried out a litter pick, cleaning up a section of the environment - a thoughtful suggestion by Isla W.



Forest School 'Nightingale' Awards

Darcy T- For your excitement in the mud today, being creative and role playing with friends. Your 'seal' acting in the mud was fantastic.

Chloe W – For making independent choices of what activities you wanted to do Forest Schools and for being a great helper at tidy up time, learning how to wind the ropes and put them away safely for next session.

Theo – For working well as part of a team, sharing ideas of how to make your shelter and learning new skills along the way.

Jacob – For working well as part of a team, sharing ideas of how to make your shelter and learning new skills along the way.

Theodore – For working well as part of a team, sharing ideas of how to make your shelter and learning new skills along the way. You told me you were so proud of what you had achieved today, and so you should be.

Children in Need

Friday 17th November

We will be raising money for
BBC Children in Need.

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



Charity Victorian Christmas Market

Saturday 18 November 2023

10am - 3pm

Christ Church United Reformed Church,
6 Carnarvon Road, Clacton CO15 6PH

Father Christmas * Queen Victoria and her entourage * Christmas cards * decorations
jewellery * candles * gifts * crafts * toys
tombolas * books * fair trade goods
stocking fillers * preserves * cakes
lunches * refreshments

50p Entry, includes a free tea/coffee
Under 16's free entry

All proceeds to charities attending

Organisations Attending: Age Well East, Build a School in the Gambia, Clacton on Sea Sands, Click Clack Craft, Colchester Chinese Culture Society, Creative Expression, CVST HILL Team, CVST Resilience Team, Dickens, Grassroots, Great Bentley Good Neighbours, Jaywick Friendship Cafe, Mad About Theatre, MS Society, Parkinson's Society, Princes Theatre, RNLI, Royal British Legion, Stadte Partner, The Rotary Club of Clacton on Sea, West Cliff Theatre & World Food Aid

This event is organised by Community Voluntary Services Tendring
T: 01255 425692 E: admin@cvstendring.org.uk

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 10th November	Individual and sibling photographs Autumn Disco - KS1 4 - 5pm and KS2 5:15 - 6:15pm
Sunday 12th November	Remembrance Day Service at St George's Church
Monday 13th November	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 15th November	Reading Information Meeting - KS1 parents only
Friday 17th November	Children in Need Day - details to follow
Wednesday 6th December	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performance (afternoon - details to follow)
Thursday 7th December	KS1 (Y1 and 2) Nativity performance (evening - details to follow)
Friday 8th December	PTA Christmas Fete 3:15 - 5pm
Tuesday 12th December	Christmas Pantomime
Thursday 14th December	Reception Christmas Singalong (details to follow) <i>*PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE*</i>
Friday 15th December 2pm	Carol Service at St George's Church
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

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

Ivy - For lovely singing in the Harvest Festival.



Maisie - For hearing and writing initial sounds in literacy.



Pathfinders

Theodore - For showing enthusiasm about our book and exploring the theme in all areas of provision.



Lavender - For showing fantastic enthusiasm in all you do.



Adventurers

Emily - For working hard upon sentence structure and including fantastic words too. Well done!



Bella - For excellent effort throughout the school day and always putting 100% into your learning.



Navigators

Poppie - For excellent classroom discussion contributions and supporting her peers.



Harry - For taking his painting duties seriously and for slaying maths monsters.



Lunchtime Awards go to:

Explorers

Evie - For sitting nicely in the lunch hall and for playing nicely with her friends.



Pathfinders

Eliza Riches - Weedon - For setting a fantastic example.



Adventurers

Alfie M - For being polite and putting equipment away.



Navigators

Maddie - For being a fantastic role model and always happy to help.



Reader of the Week Awards go to:

Explorers

Elsie J- For starting sound blending books.



Pathfinders

Darcy L - for working really hard on your fluency



Adventurers

Meredel - For excellent reading and being able to explain complex vocabulary.



Navigators

Emily W - Reading Harry Potter books over half term!

