



St George's C of E Primary School

Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a good summer and that you were able to enjoy time with family and friends. It is lovely to see all the children back in school, refreshed and ready for another school year. I have enjoyed hearing all their news this week and seeing them getting settled into their new classes and year groups.

On Tuesday, we gathered together for a 'Welcome back' Collective Worship. The children were quick to spot our new school vision signs in the Hall and around the school; many thanks to the PTA for supporting us with the purchase of these lovely, bright, bold signs. This vision statement is at the heart of everything we do here at St George's.



Welcome to St George's!

As well as our new Reception cohort (see over the page), we welcome two new pupils and their families to St George's this week: Darcy in Pathfinders and Hollie in Navigators. We are pleased to welcome you to our school and look forward to getting to know you in the coming weeks.

Reminders:

- The school day now begins at 8.40am and ends at 3.10pm. Please make sure you arrive before the gate closes at 8.40am.
- Please ensure you have read yesterday's letter regarding Home School Communication.

I hope to see you all at this afternoon's Play Day!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Keitch

Welcome to St George's!

This week we welcomed our new Reception intake to St George's. They have made a fantastic start to the term and have enjoyed getting to know each other, their teachers and their Big Friends.

Welcome to St George's - we look forward to getting to know our new children and families in the coming weeks and months.



Staff Updates



This term we welcome Miss Palfrey to St George's, who is the new Pathfinders LSA (mornings).

I'm sure you will join me in welcoming Miss Palfrey to the St George's team. She has been enjoying getting to know the staff and children this week.

We are currently advertising for two roles:

SEND 1:1 LSA (mornings): <http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=91702>

Playworker for After School Club: <http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=91798>

Please share these links with anyone who may be interested!

Did your child complete the Essex Libraries Summer Reading Challenge this year?



Lots of children have already spoken to me about their summer reading challenge and some have shown me their certificates and medals.

If your child has completed the challenge, please can they **bring their certificate to school on Friday 15th September** so we can acknowledge their achievement in our Celebration Assembly.

Reading Volunteers

Thank you so much to those parents who have volunteered to come into school on a weekly basis to hear children read.

As you know, we place huge importance on reading here at St George's. As well as teaching children the 'mechanics' of reading, through our Read Write Inc Phonics programme, we also aim to foster a love of reading in all our children throughout the school. Time spent reading one to one with an adult, enjoying discussing a books, is invaluable.

If you are able to volunteer and have not yet contacted us, we would be very happy to hear from you!



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

PTA New Parents Tea Party followed by Whole School Fun Afternoon	2pm Tea Party 3.10-5.30pm Fun Afternoon
Friday 22nd September	Jeans for Genes Day - suggested £1 donation
Thursday 12th October 2.00pm	Harvest Festival at St George's Church (parents invited)
Week Beginning Monday 16th October	St George's Book Week Book Fair Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Week Beginning Monday 23rd October	Half Term
Monday 30th October	Non Pupil Day
Friday 10th November	Individual and sibling photographs
Monday 13th November	Flu Immunisations
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)
Wednesday 13th December	Reception Christmas Singalong (details to follow)
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.

