



# St George's C of E Primary School

## Learning for Life



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone in our school community for their support and hard work over the past week or so. We have suffered significant staff shortages due to Covid and had to make the decision to switch to remote learning for Explorers class; thank you to the parents for your support and understanding and to the staff for coordinating remote learning while isolating! Our best wishes go to all children and staff who are feeling unwell; we hope you feel better soon and look forward to seeing you back in school.

Last week, I accompanied our Year 5 and 6 children on their residential trip to Bawdsey Manor. We were blessed with beautiful weather and the children had a wonderful time.

During the week they took part in a whole host of activities including climbing, abseiling, a giant swing, raft building and buggy building.

They surprised themselves with their resilience, determination and courage and should feel very proud of themselves. For many children, it was the first time they had been away from home for such a long period of time.

We were very impressed with how organised, self-sufficient and independent many of them became. A big thank you to Mr Johnston for leading the trip and to Mr Bolton and Miss Woods for their support.



It was a fantastic experience for all involved, with many wonderful memories made. You can see lots of photos from the week on our school website <https://www.st-georges-pri.essex.sch.uk/bawdsey-manor-photos-and-more/>

### **Parent Consultations**

You have received a Parentmail regarding the Parent Consultations switching to Zoom for Pathfinders, Adventurers and Navigators classes this week. We will confirm a later date for Explorers class consultations to take place after Easter.

### **Easter Service**

We have made the decision to postpone our Easter Service in church. This will now take place on Friday 22nd April and will be a joint Easter/St George's Service! You are welcome to join us at 2pm for this church service.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Keitch

# Pathfinders News

The last two weeks in Pathfinders have been a very busy and fun-filled!

We have been doing lots of practical learning in Maths, all about measuring. We started by measuring weight and mass using our balance scales and had the chance to compare the weight of lots of objects in the classroom. We especially enjoyed using our giant balance buckets from our outside space, finding bigger and heavier objects to compare. We then moved on to measuring volume and used the water tray and a large variety of containers to compare how much they could hold. This was lots of fun especially as the sun was out and we could enjoy being outside in the nice weather!



In our Dimensions learning, we have really enjoyed exploring and learning all about The Arctic. We have discovered lots of interesting facts about the animals who live there and the local people (Inuits). We discovered their fascinating tradition of 'Throat singing' and even gave it a go ourselves. It was much harder than we thought!

We have explored lots of Art over the last couple of weeks including looking at the work of Canadian artist Ted Harrison, who was born in the UK and moved to the edge of the Arctic Circle, creating some very creative and colourful artworks. We have also used the Aurora Borealis as inspiration, both in Art sketches and in our ICT learning. Finally, we had the chance to use junk modelling to create INUKSHUK's. These are used as landmarks in the Arctic for good hunting grounds or to help with directions. This was lots of fun!



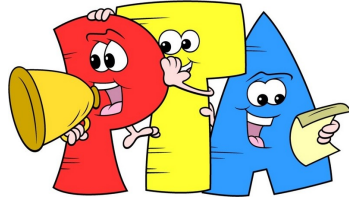
# Adventurers News

## African Dance Workshop



Adventurers had a brilliant time practising their African dance moves during their workshop with Gaspard Zamble. They learnt how to speak in Swahili and how to capture different African rhythms. Both the adults and children thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity to learn more about African culture and dance.





As I am sure you are all aware the PTA has had to reschedule our events that were due to take place before the Easter break. Our Easter event will now take place on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April straight after school from 3.00pm till 4.00pm. There will be Easter challenges for all the children with an Easter treat. There will also be refreshments and a cake stall.

We will be looking to reschedule the movie nights for KS1 and KS2 as soon as possible after the Easter break and we will let everybody know as soon as possible.

We are very pleased to announce that so far the pan cake flip has raised an amazing £1050 for the PTA. We would like to thank everyone who took part in the event both children and helpers. And a big thank you to all those that kindly sponsored the children to raise much needed funds.

Our current big fund raising project is to replace the adventure playground, this is now coming to an end with building work due to start in the next few weeks. We will then be announcing our new fund raising project very soon and the funds raised from the pancake flip will kick start this.

Chris Long  
Chair of the PTA

### Dates for your Diary

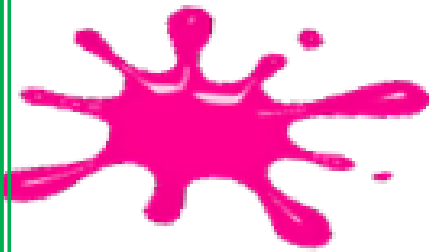
You may wish to make a note of the dates below.

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

Monday 28th March and Tuesday 29th March	Parent Consultations
Friday 1st April	Last day of term Reception trip to Hasty's Farm
Tuesday 19th April	Return to school
Friday 22nd April	Easter/St George's Day Church Service 2pm 3.00pm PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Week Beginning Monday 9th May	Year Six SATs Week
Monday 6th June	Non Pupil Day

No Charge but Donations welcome

Accompanying adults must stay but are also free



Join us for an

Easter



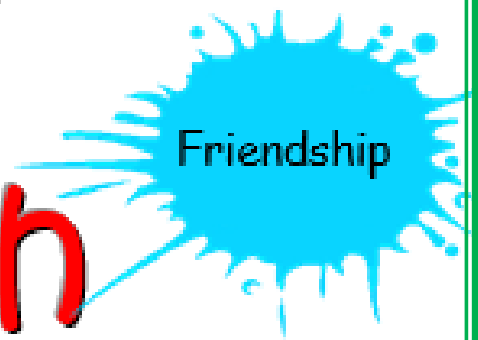
Craft



Food

Messy

Church



Friendship

Learn the Easter Story through fun crafts, puppets, an egg hunt and a light lunch

on

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am – 12.30pm,

At St. George's Church,  
Great Bromley



Messy  
Fun

**All Welcome!**

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