

St. George's CE Primary School

Our School Motto - "Bringing faith and education together"

Newsletter
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Friday 1st December
FLO Coffee Morning from
9:00am
School led clubs end
today.

Monday 4th December
December Family Service
from **10:00am** led by
Sycmaore

Friday 8th December
H.S.A. Christmas Fayre
3:30pm in school hall

Tuesday 12th December
Oak Class Nativity
Production to Parents at
9:30am & **4:00pm** in the
School Hall

Thursday 14th December
KS1 (Beech & Maple
Classes) Nativity to
Parents **9:30am** and
4:00pm.

Friday 15th December
Wear a Christmas Jumper
to support NSPCC - **£1**
donation
School Christmas Dinner
day

Monday 18th December
KS2 Christingle Service
6pm in St George's
Church

Tuesday 19th December
Last day of term 2

Dear Parents/Carers

Mr. D. Jones, Headteacher

It was a busy week in school last week with so much to celebrate and enjoy, there was even the sounds of Christmas songs through the school as Key Stage 1 classes began their rehearsals for their Christmas Productions - so Advent must be nearly upon us! This was most definitely the case in Maple class where they were learning about Advent and were even making their own Advent rings!

Important Visitors!



We had a number of visitors of all shapes and sizes in school last week. On Friday, keeping with the Christmas theme, we had a very special guest to our Friday's Worship - our Tonbridge and Malling **MP Tom Tugendhat**. Having set the children a Christmas Card competition back in September he came in to personally present a special prize to the Runner Up for the whole competition, **Sky**. Many congratulations to her - we are all very proud of you!

Year 5 and 6 also spent a special afternoon with **The Fields of Light Storytellers**. This charity supports the future of people in Uganda. Last Friday some Ugandan people who were helped by this charity to gain an education by being sponsored through the charity, came into school to share their stories. From very humble beginnings they have, through the work of the charity, had opportunities to support their futures. They are all now lawyers, business people and teachers, to name but a few! On Friday they shared the stories of their lives through dancing, music and stories. The Year 6 we were passionate about the impact their stories have had on them so watch out for some fundraising in the New Year!



And if that wasn't enough the upper key stage classes also had a **ZOOLAB** visit! This 'hands on' afternoon was to support their Rainforest themed learning. It took some children (and teachers!) some of this term's value of 'courage' to touch animals which were, in Miss Brownfield's words, pretty 'scary! The animals included a tree frog, rat, stick insect, land snail, snake yuk!

Celebration Worship

Every Friday the school comes together to celebrate the skills, talents and achievements of everyone within our school community. Traditionally the children have had a certificate displayed in the school entrance but due to the re-vamp this couldn't happen. But never fear! It allowed us the chance to change the certificates and probably time to bring them more up to date. Now each week the children receive a new styled certificate which can be taken home for proud parents to enjoy! Leila and Buddy were very proud to receive theirs last week!



Don't forget!

This coming Friday marks the end of teacher led clubs as the teachers start the preparations for the Christmas events the children are putting on for you. No doubt there will be a lot of twinkly stars being made and sprinkles of glitter found everywhere! If your child attends a club run by an outside provider then please ensure you check their finish dates with them. New clubs lists will be sent out for the Spring Term (term 3 and 4) in the New Year! A BIG thank you to all the staff who have voluntarily given up their time to run these clubs!

Play & Learn at St George's

Mr Shield organised and hosted a Play & Learn afternoon for local schools for netball and football. Children from different schools varied in ability but everyone was on the same playing field with fair play and enthusiasm. It was such a pleasure to see so many teams supporting one another. Due to its success I have no doubt there will be another planned in the New Year!



In the netball afternoon there were some new players like Elliott Yr 6 and Jessica Yr 4 who have never played in a match before – not that you would've known as they seemed to take it all in their stride! There were also two football teams representing St George's.



Both of whom Mr Shield was very proud of as he had to referee a lot and the children were able to organise themselves and made him very proud of their professionalism!



Educational Sunday at St. George's Church

Once again many thanks to the parents and children who came to support the school and the Church at Educational Sunday.



We do like to support our Church so please remember to put Monday 4th December at 10am (Family Service) and Monday 18th December at 6pm (Christingle) in your diaries!

House Captains Worship

The School House Captains certainly stepped up to the mark this week by leading worship for their respective houses this week. As George said "I was really nervous as I've never done anything like this before but after I felt really proud of what I'd achieved!" Well done to all of the House Captains showing 'courage' as they fulfill one of their leadership goals!

And finally..

There was a very noticeable absence in school last week as Mr Jones was sadly missing as he's been caught by the dreaded bug! Just to let you all know he is on the mend and will be back soon fighting fit. In the meantime the children in school asked for us to organise a get well present for him. This was delivered to him this weekend...

