

# St. George's CE Primary School

Our School Motto - "Bringing faith and education together"

Newsletter  
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## Key Dates

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

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

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
**Wear a Christmas Jumper** to support NSPCC **£1 donation** School **Christmas Dinner Day!**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December  
**KS2 Christingle Service** **6pm** in St George's Church

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
**Last day** of Term 2

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January  
**First day** of Term 3

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January  
**Swimming** begins for Hazel + Group 1 Maple Class

Wk. beginning 15<sup>th</sup> January – all **extended school clubs** begin

Dear Parents/Carers

Mr. D. Jones, Headteacher

It is likely that this newsletter will be the final edition of the Autumn Term, or should I say Term 2. A reminder that previous copies of our newsletters are available on the school's official web site ([www.st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk](http://www.st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk)) alongside other useful information, photographs and news about our school community. Please find some time to have a look!

With only hours to go before our Christmas performances (Early Years & KS1 Nativity plus KS2 Christingle next week) it has certainly been a busy few weeks here at school!

Recently we have talked a great deal about the importance of team-work in worship and I'm pleased to say that the children have responded well, helped by the enthusiasm and energy of both teachers and support staff. Classes have been busy in a variety of ways ranging from learning dances to practising song lyrics, memorising lines and creating wonderful scenery and props. I know that we are all in for a Christmas treat with our performances and I am looking forward to seeing the end product.

Not only have we all been rehearsing lots, but we have continued the hard work in the classroom too. I have seen some excellent work this week and been really pleased with the children's explanations of their learning. It is good to see that despite the excitement of the approaching festivities the children remain calm and focused. We all want to enjoy this time of the year, and good behaviour enables this to happen.

## **Advent at St. George's Church!**

It is not often that we have such a wonderful Family Service at St. George's Church led by Sycamore Class and Miss Brownfield. The theme of the Worship was based upon this term's value of 'Courage.' The pupils spoke so well and with such clarity that we were all impressed with their maturity.



Keep up to date with news on our twitter account @StGeorgesKent

## **Christmas Fayre**

Thank you for everything that you did to make the Christmas Fair such a success. There is so much work that goes on before, during and after and it is the combined effort of everyone involved that makes it such a great event.

Well done to the school 'Christmas' Choir and the Christmas Elves who helped out so well.

We are still counting the takings but it looks likely that the H.S.A. have raised close to £1000 and this will make a fantastic contribution towards school funds.

### Clubs Next Term ....

As normal, letters will be sent out very early next term detailing a range of sports and club activities for Terms 3 and 4. It will help us with the general organisation if you can return completed forms as soon as possible, so we can finalize numbers for all activities. Most clubs will start in the week beginning **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January** unless otherwise stated on the letters.

### Swimming

Next term it is the turn of Hazel and Maple classes to swim at White Oak Swimming Pool in Swanley. The first swimming session starts from Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January. As always our swimming slot is between **2:00pm** until **2:30pm** which in turn means that we should, traffic allowing, arrive back at school at approximately **3:15pm**. Just in time for the weekend!

### Crib Service!

Some of you will already know that St. George's Church and the school have a very close relationship. Each year on Christmas Eve, this year *Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December*, Edward leads a crib service which is intended to pass on the real Christmas messages to children which are often forgotten. The service begins at 4pm and will include a lot of child involvement, ending at 5pm.

### Dragon Christmas Post Box

The Christmas Post Box is now open with two post boxes located outside Sycamore and Maple Classes. Please encourage your children to use this service. The Christmas Elves will be ready to deliver your cards from **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** onwards.

If your child would like to make use of the Dragon Christmas postal service, please ensure that envelopes have the recipient's name and class written clearly on them.

Unfortunately, the Postal Elves can only deliver to pupils and staff at St. George's Primary School and are unable to deliver to 'Mummy', 'Daddy' and 'Nanny'!

### Christingle

Please remember that the annual Key Stage Two Christingle takes place next Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm at St. George's Church. Although KS2 pupils will be taking the lead this is very much a school occasion so please if you have younger children feel free to attend, as they will be most welcome.

### Christmas Jumper Day

Dust off that "once a year" jumper and wear it into school this coming Friday – in return for a donation of £1 to Save the Children. We look forward to seeing lots of festive woolies!

### Christmas Calendar in the village!

Don't forget the other events being held in the village.

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
Candlelit Carol Service from 6:00pm

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
St. George's School  
Christingle from 6:00pm

Christmas Eve  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Crib Service for children from 4:00pm  
Carols in the Square from 5:15pm  
Midnight Communion from 11:30pm

Christmas Day  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December**  
Family Communion from 10:00am

### **E-Safety**

With Christmas fast approaching, children are often delivered lovely new devices from Father Christmas, many of which link to the internet. **Please make sure that you are aware of how to keep your child safe online.** The school website has a comprehensive page which should support you with this: Please click on <http://st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk/?s=e-safety>

### **School Dinner Money Payments**

Please ensure that all school meals are paid for by the end of term. Caterlink do not allow debt and we are invoiced directly for any unpaid meals at the end of each term. Unfortunately the school budget does not stretch to feeding the children so all meals must be paid in advance. Thanks for your cooperation.



Well done to all the pupils in Year 6 who supported at the Christmas Fair by supervising stalls and encouraging all the other pupils to play their games. Without them the Fair would not have been such a success.