

St. George's CE Primary School

Our School Motto - "Bringing faith and education together"

Newsletter
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Key Dates

Monday 9th October

Harvest Festival

KS1 from **9:15am** in the school hall

KS2 from **11:00am** at St. George's Church

Tuesday 10th October

H.S.A. 'Monster Disco'

Planning Meeting **9:00am**

Wednesday 11th October

Oak Class Parents

Learning Meeting **2:45pm**

Thursday 12th October

Parents Forum **2:00pm**

Friday 13th October

KS2 Cross Country at

Somerhill Park

Sycamore Class at

Oakwood Maths

Challenge Morning

Monday 16th October

Offham Netball Festival

Tuesday 17th &

Wednesday 18th October

Year 6 Parents

Consultations

Wednesday 18th October

New Parents "Open Morning"

Dear Parents/Carers

Mr. D. Jones, Headteacher

Fusion and Light in our Village!

It is quite hard to know where to start other than with the fact that it was, yet again, just an amazing evening and many people expressed to me that it was even better than the Festival held last year. Of course, after the months of planning, I spent much of Friday checking out the weather forecast for the evening which seemed to alter by the hour but thankfully it stayed dry, albeit a bit chilly, and the Light Festival was once again amazing.

It was as one parent who regularly attends, mentioned 'another wonderful evening of colour, noise and parading!'

Whilst on community events can I remind you all that the annual Wrotham Fireworks take place on Saturday 28th October on the Cricket Field. More details and prices can be found on the Wrotham Fireworks website which includes everything you need to know on this great community event <https://wrothamfireworks.co.uk/>



School Council Installed

It is always a wonderful occasion when our annual Badge Worship takes place. After hotly contested elections which took place in September this year we presented School Council badges to our new members. This year our very good friend to the school Revd. Edward Wright joined us along with a number of other Governors to take part in an act of Worship. As you can see Edward had to get down low to attach all the badges.



Cross Country....on the run!

'On Tuesday 3rd of October, Theo, Nicholas, Aiden, Annabelle, Ella and Amelie represented St George's in a cross country race at Ightham Primary school also competing against Ryarsh and Offham. The course took them on a 1/2 mile run through Ightham grounds and the woods. The team did very well coming in 3rd place overall with some individual successes including a 6th place (Amelie) and a 9th place (Theo). Very well done to the team.'

The KM Charity Team is running a 'Master Chef' – style cooking competition for any child or young person aged 6 to 19 years old. The participants have to plan and prepare one or two dishes within a budget. The finalists will cook in front of a VIP panel. If you are a Scout or Girl Guide, you can earn a specially commissioned badge for entering the competition. Submit your entry by **November 7th**. For more information, visit:
www.kentcooks.co.uk

Story Pocket Theatre is devoted to bringing children's stories to the stage in a magical, inventive and exciting way. Their next production, Michael Morpurgo's King Arthur is a fast-moving family adventure, full of physical theatre and outstanding storytelling. Suitable for 7years + and lasting 75 minutes, it is being staged at the E.M. Forster Theatre on 1st October at 3pm. Child tickets are half price (£5) if you quote "Merlin" when booking at the Box Office on 01732 34241 or visit boxoffice@tonbridge-school.org

Tonbridge Athletic Club One Mile Cross Country Races for children aged 12 years and under at a cost of £2 per race. Registration is on the day half an hour prior to the race. Group warm up will be 15 minutes before the race. Saturday 28th October at The School at Somerhill 11.00am race start; Sundays 19th November, 3rd December, 21st January, 18th February and 18th March, all at Judd School Sports Fields 2.30pm race start. (please note the Fields are off Lower Haysden Lane and not at the school and are signposted "Vizards"). All finishers will be awarded with a medal. Email dawnhookway@aol.com for more information.

Autumn Term Parent Consultation Evenings

If you are a Parent of a pupil in Year 6 you will have already been made aware of our new method of booking a slot for Parent Consultation Evenings. Rather than the previous system of 'paper and pen' which could at times be problematic and hugely time consuming for the office staff, we have now entered the technology age!

With the deadline for Secondary Transfer Forms to be completed by **October 31st** these individual parent's meetings take place next Tuesday (17th) and Wednesday (18th). If you haven't already done so, parents have been asked to book online using the booking system which will enable you to choose your own appointment by clicking a link in the parent text. Parent Consultation evenings for all other year groups take place in very early December.

Finally, please can I remind parents of the necessity of the school having your up to date mobile phone numbers/email addresses in order for the system to work efficiently.

Can You Help I Wonder!?

I have received a written request from a small group of pupils from Key Stage Two who are desperate to build their very own Bug Hotel. They need a variety of materials including bricks, a plate, small logs, pine cones and bamboo. If you have any of the above 'laying around' unused please can you help! For more information please ask to speak to Miss Williams via the office.



Reminders!

Online Safety

<http://st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk/staying-safe-online/>

Online safety is vitally important to ensure children stay safe whilst accessing the internet. To learn more about the risks facing our children when they use computers, please follow the link above to access lots of useful websites including:

Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP)

a police agency tackling child abuse on the internet. This website includes a unique facility that enables parents and young people to make reports of actual or attempted abuse online. **Internet Matters**, an online portal giving tips on protecting children from online grooming, privacy, cyberbullying, identity theft and inappropriate content.

Learn to Life Save with CPR!

On the evening of **Monday 16th October**, our friends from the local Army Cadets will be offering free CPR training at the Detachment HQ in Wrotham School (Grange Park entrance) from 19.30 to 21.30. If you are interested please arrive in plenty of time. No booking required.

Please remember that Term 1 ends on Friday 20th October with Term 2 beginning on Tuesday 31st October at 8:55am.