



St. George's CEP Newsletter

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'Bringing faith and education together'

Our value this term is HONESTY

**"Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth"
1 John 3:18**

May in primary schools around the country is a focus of tests. Our Year 2's (Maple Class) and our Year 6's (Sycamore Class) are testament to this. They've both experienced reading; spelling and grammar and maths tests.

In Year 1 (Beech Class) will have a phonics screening and Year 4 (Willow Class) the Multiplication Test Check in June.

At St. George's we endeavor to make sure the children are supported by ensuring they are familiar with papers and procedures as part of their normal classroom teaching. Whilst some see tests as a measure of children's ability they only give a snap shot of the skills and talents our children have. This poem sums it up!

SATs don't measure sports
SATs don't measure art,
SATs don't measure music,
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,
SATs don't know your worth,
SATs don't see the reasons,
You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,
How you make others smile,
SATs don't time how quickly,
You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter,
Or see you've come this far,
SATs are just a tiny glimpse,
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,
With a pencil and your test,
Remember SATs aren't who you are,
Remember **you're the best!**

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Courage

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Dates for
the Diary:

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

Mon 16th May - Year 5 Leeds Castle Visit

Mon 16th May - Farmers parent meeting
3.15pm Sycamore Class

Wed 18th May - PTA Fun Run

Mon 23rd May - Class Photos

Thurs 26th May - Jubilee Picnic Lunch for
school dinners

Fri 27th May - Last day of term 5

Half Term

Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June

Mon 6th June - School Jubilee Celebration day
(wear red white & blue)

Thurs 16th June - PTA Father's day Stall

Fri 17th June PTA Cake Pop Up 3.15pm

*Sun 19th June - Fri 24th June - Residential to
Treginnis*

**INSET Day - Mon 27th June
(school closed to children)**

Mon 4th July - Year 3 family Service in St
George's Church 10am

Wed 6th July - Sports Day (Parents welcome
to attend the day)

Tue 12th July - Open Afternoon for Parents
2.15pm

Wed 13th July Year 6 Production evening

Thurs 14th July Year 6 Production evening

Mon 18th July - Year 6 Leavers Service

**Last Day of the School Year
Thurs 21st July**

Miss Brownfield, the staff and children who attended to O2 Young Voices 2022 Concert were rewarded with a trophy today from one of our parents as a thank you for organising and performing to create such a wonderful event for the audience of thousands to enjoy - thank you for such a kind gesture!

STAFFING UPDATE

The impact of covid was apparent to us all over the last two years with lockdowns, school closures but now we are experiencing the effects in different ways.

The reality of increasing household bills, jobs altering has affected some families financially more than others. We are subsidising trips using our school budget to keep costs as low as we can. But I would also want to thank those of you who have been in a position to donate additional funds to support children going on visits and trips. This has also had an effect on changes to staffing. Sadly, we are losing two wonderful Teaching Assistants at the end of this term - **Mrs Sonya Starck** and **Mrs Heather Newbold**. Both have been an absolute asset to our team and will be greatly missed but we wish them well in their new careers.

We will be welcoming **Mrs Emma Wiltshire** next term whom many of the children are familiar with as she is also a swimming teacher.

Miss Gower is reaching the end of term (fingers crossed she gets there!) but we are ready for next term as we welcome **Miss Ellie Huggett** to our team who will be teaching in Year 2 for the last term of our school year!

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