



# St. George's CEP Newsletter

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*'Bringing faith and education together'*

## Our value this term is FORGIVENESS

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,  
as God in Christ forgave you.

[Ephesians 4:32]

We've made it! Today was the last day of our home remote learning offer and from Monday we are looking forward to welcoming back ALL children to school. It has felt a long time coming since the announcement but here we are.

There's been a lot of behind the scenes preparation for the full return but the over whelming sense is one of happiness that we can resume face to face learning once more. We would really appreciate it if you took five minutes to complete the home learning survey that has been sent out as we continually look to review our practice. It will also have a bearing on review of our longer term recovery plan over the summer term and beyond.

This week we've had lots of fun with Book Week and a thank you to Miss Gower being the driving force behind this. I've seen many amazing photos of extreme readers, potato book characters, seen super writing across the school and heard lots of teachers reading extracts from their favourite books. Reading is the driving force of all of our curriculum so it has been fantastic to see the children's engagement.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff who have worked incredibly hard over this time and to the class teachers who have made our school's home learning interactive and providing daily face to face live class sessions which I am sure will help support the children on their return to class based learning.

While Monday brings a very welcome change and a step back towards 'normality' there will still be many hurdles for us to jump in the coming days, weeks and months. I'd ask you for patience as we ensure the children come first in both supporting their emotional well-being as well as their academic achievements. But if there is one thing I am incredibly proud of is our school family. We may not have been able to support everyone in the way they'd like but we have tried our best under the restrictions we were working with but now will be working incredibly hard to readdress our children's needs.

But this hard work is under pinned by you. Your support with home learning and you for all your supportive messages and generous gifts. They certainly have played an enormous part in supporting staff morale and keeping us positive!

Mr Jones and I are looking forward to greeting you all on the gates on Monday. Enjoy your weekend and see you then!

Mrs Rye

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## **Congratulations to our World Book Day Costume Winners!**

But congratulations to everyone who took part as it always brings a smile to all our faces. I hope you saw lots of photos on your Class Dojo story pages!



Thank you to a very generous gift from one family to two classes who enjoyed a zoom session with Hemsley Conservation Centre allowing the children to see some animals up close and personal – including the very cute armadillo!

The children asked some amazing questions and learnt a lot!



**PLEASE KEEP TO TIME SLOTS, BE PATIENT WHEN WAITING IN QUEUES AND IF ENTERING THE SCHOOL SITE PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK.....**

Despite us all looking forward to being together we **MUST** remember we are not free of Covid just yet so we must do everything we can to keep one another safe.

Many people may not have been around big groups of people for a long time and are quite anxious about our return. Please help us by being on time for drop off and pick ups, follow social distancing advice and stay calm.

We are all aware that the road outside of school can be very busy so we ask you try and walk where possible and if you do have to drive that you park with consideration for those waiting in line, crossing the road to keep us safe and for our local residents. Thank you.

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON OUR SCHOOL RETURN. ALL absences from school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March must be reported to the school office by 9.30am. We ask you are open and transparent for the safety of children, families and staff.**

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