



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]

As I'm sure many of you are aware, this last week was Mental Health Awareness Week. Covid-19 has had such a big impact on all of our lives and there has never been a bigger focus than now on mental health and well-being. There is much evidence that shows the pandemic has had an enormous impact on the mental well-being of so many people.

As a Headteacher, I constantly think about the well-being and mental health of the children, families and staff every single day. Since the start of the pandemic, we have supported pupils, families and staff as they deal with the most challenging and difficult of circumstances. The role of schools has been vital in offering support but please remember teachers and leaders are not mental health specialists, and pupils need timely access to the appropriate mental health professionals. It is sad to note the pandemic has led to a growth in waiting lists. However, by communicating concerns to your child's class teacher they will be able to provide support, in a timely manner, as they can communicate with the senior management team: Mr Jones (Well being Lead), Mrs Cunningham (SENCO) and myself, Mrs Rye (Designated Safeguarding Lead).

One of our safeguarding Governors conducted a school visit this week with a focus on the school ethos since re-opening post lockdown 3. Comments in the report included "Key Stage 2 children were settled, working with purpose and interacting with the adults and their peers. Each of the four classes demonstrated purposeful atmospheres." "Year 2 pupils writing showed that although they were happy to write and were beginning to write at some length" "In Year 1 the children were very happy and eager to share their learning with me. The pupils chatted with each other and the adults they all seemed very relaxed and enjoying school." "The children in Foundation Stage were extremely settled and confident they showed clear understanding of the school day and expectations. Many were busy undertaking independent child-initiated activities working and playing with their peers." Lovely comments to read and testament to your children!

Dates for your diary:

Fri 14th May - PTA Donut sale

Thurs 27th May - Y5 Parents

Information about the Kent Test 6pm
via zoom (more details to come)

Fri 28th May - Last forest schools
session for Year 3

Fri 28th May - last day of term 5

Mon 1st June Registration for PESE
(Kent Test for selective education)
opens

Mon 7th June -

Start of term 6

we will continue staggered drop off
and pick up times

**Please note school gates CLOSE at
8.55am in the morning**

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We have a position available
from term 6 for a lunchtime
supervisor. If you are
interested, please see our
school website for more details

<https://www.st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk/vacancies/>

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INTER-HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

What a wonderful morning organised by our PE lead Mrs Burton. Careful planning and keeping children in their bubbles meant we could take the whole school out to watch every class run. It was great to hear the children encouraging one another as they ran around the track. Every class ran two laps – even those little legs in Oak Class who were amazing!

Points were totaled and it was revealed that the winning house for our first whole school inter house competition was St Patrick's – well done!



Fee Fi Fo Fum!

There has been a lot of excitement down in Oak class over the last week or so as a huge beanstalk sprouted in their classroom! Then to add to the excitement they discovered 'Gordon The Giant' on the school roof who gave them some seeds to plant in their garden.

This week the children have been learning about the Hungry Caterpillar – I think they want to make sure that no caterpillars eat anything they've planted!



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