



St. George's CEP Newsletter

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'Bringing faith and education together'

Our value this term is KINDNESS

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other,
just as Christ forgives you. - Ephesians 4:32

Heading to half term...

And so we start the last week of our first term and what a term it has been! So much has changed in the way we have all worked together in ensuring the safe return of our children in school. Change can be hard and isn't without its challenges but I feel we have adapted, tweaked and improved constantly. I also know this will continue. Many of you have commented to me about positive outcomes some of our changes have had but of course there are others which are out of our control which we struggle a little more with. The second page of this newsletter addresses this.

One thing I think is incredibly important is a voice for everyone involved in our school community. This term we have held several virtual Governor meetings, some virtual PTA meetings, held discussions with class ambassadors and completed staff surveys but I also need yours!

I would really appreciate you taking five minutes of your time to complete a survey focusing on our opening since September. This was extremely helpful back in July in helping us plan for full reopening and I think it is a good time to reflect on the first term. Please watch out for the link coming to you.

This week in school we are doing focused work on Black History month and Harvest as well as awarding our first Achievement Cup winners of the year. So not a very quiet week in the build up to half term!

Therefore, I wish you all a restful and safe half term and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Monday 2nd November with new staff members on our team!

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A SLIGHT CHANGE TO PE DAYS IN TERM 2. THEY WILL BE:

Monday: Cedar

Tuesday: Oak & Maple

Wednesday: None

Thursday: Beech & Hazel

Friday: Willow

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Follow us on twitter: @StGeorgesKent

Keep up to date with newsletters on our website and keep an eye on the class pages

School Displays

If there is one thing we miss, it is yourselves being able to come in and see the work your children are producing in school. We have stripped back a lot of clutter and overload of work to really allow the children to focus on key information around them. We still have some beautiful work and ideas being showcased in and around the school though. Below are some photographs in more detail that really demonstrate the thoughts of the children in the lessons they have been doing.



REMINDER – to all Year 6 parents

I have every sympathy with you choosing secondary schools where many have only been offering virtual tours. I understand the anxiety many of you are facing wanting to make the right decision for your child. But that's just it. The decision is for your child. What I pride ourselves on at St George's is encouraging our children to be themselves – take pride in being unique. This in turn means that one school that might feel right for one child may not be for another. Take time to look at the school's website; look for their values and vision; think about the interests and engagement for your own child and see if they are reflected in the school and of course you must think about the journey.

Can I remind you that secondary school applications close at midnight on the evening of **2 November 2020**. You need to apply online <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places#tab-2>

If you cannot apply online then you need to contact kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk. It would be helpful to let the school know the choices you make. You can email office@st-georges-wrotham.kent.sch.uk with this information.

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