

St George's Primary Newsletter

Tuesday 9th January 2024

Changes to the school entrance



From tomorrow how you come in to the front of school will change. You will have to buzz in via the intercom to the left of the front door.

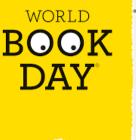
Then simply press the green call button and wait for someone to answer and buzz you in.



These changes are being made to increase security in school and help us to keep everyone safe.

We continue to have an open door policy and encourage anyone who wishes to speak to a member of teaching or office staff to come into school as usual.

Please be aware that children coming to breakfast club will not able to come inside the building before 8am.



Thursday 7th March is world book day. We will be celebrating our love of by sharing our favourite books and characters in school and creating some fabulous stories of our own.

Please come ready to join in the fun by dressing up as your favourite book character – or let your imagination run free and create a character of your own.

Parents' Day

We will be holding our spring term Parents' Day on Wednesday 13th March.

After half term we will send out a Google Form asking you whether you prefer a morning or afternoon appointment. You will of course be given the option of having a face to face meeting or a phone call. We encourage all parents to make an appointment to speak to their child's teacher on Parents' Day to share the children's successes, our high expectations and any concerns you or the teacher may have.

INSET DAY – school will be closed for staff training on Monday 11th March 2024.

Spring Craft Morning and Egg Decorating

On Tuesday 12th March we will be holding a Spring Family Craft and Egg Decorating morning. Every child will have the opportunity to decorate an egg and join in with other spring themed crafts.

All of the wonderful creations will be displayed on the playground (weather permitting) from 2:45pm for families to come and see before the children collect them as they leave school and take them home with them.

If children would also like to decorate an egg at home and bring it in they are very welcome to do so; these eggs will also be displayed in the afternoon.

Families are welcome to join us for fun with glue, glitter and eggs. Refreshments will be available in the hall from 8:45am. Sessions in class will run from 9am to 11am.



St George's Family Room

We are delighted to announce that we once again have a family room in school. This is situated at the front of school where the office used to be. We will be using this for coffee mornings, space to chat and catch up, parent courses and for talks from health, the police, e-safety experts etc. We will share more information about this very soon.

Stay and Read

Stay and Read is every Monday afternoon from 3pm. This is an opportunity for you to come into your child's class and sit and read with them and their friends. Please remember that this is quiet reading time ensure that all phones are turned off. **A huge thank you to all the families who have joined us so far this term.**

Dates for your diaries

22 nd January – 2 nd February 2024	Year 5 Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 6 th February 2024	Cook together, eat together at The Boulevard Academy
Friday 9 th February 2024	School closes for half term
Monday 19 th February 2024	School re-opens
Thursday 7 th March 2024	World Book Day
Monday 11 th March 2024	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 12 th March 2024	Spring Craft Morning and Egg Decorating
Wednesday 13 th March 2024	Parents' Day
Tuesday 19 th March 2024	Cook together, eat together at The Boulevard Academy
Friday 22 nd March 2024	School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 8 th April 2024	INSET Day
Tuesday 9 th April 2024	School re-opens
Wednesday 24 th April 2024	Year 6 Marine Biologist trip
Monday 6 th May 2024	Bank holiday – school closed
Monday 13 th – Thursday 16 th May 2024	KS2 SATS week
Friday 17 th May 2024	School Photo Day
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	Dentist in school
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th June 2024	Year 6 residential at Paxwold
Friday 24 th May 2024	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 3 rd June 2024	School re-opens

Attendance

- Regular attendance at school is essential for all children to achieve in the short and long term.
- Good attendance is not just about learning but about social skills.
- Children who miss a lot of school can often become anxious about attending because they worry that they will not be able to keep up or not be sure about what is happening in class.
- The DfE definition of acceptable attendance is 96% a child with 96% attendance will have missed 7.5 days of school.
- Children whose attendance is below 90% are classed as persistent absentees. Any child whose attendance falls below 90% will be placed on an attendance support plan until their attendance improves.

A huge thank you to all families who work hard to support their children's education by ensuring that they are in school every day. By ensuring your child is in school you are investing in their future. If you need any support from us please speak to Michelle Mitchell or Aimee.

Many thanks for your continued support