

Class Activities

During this term we will be leading a class Celebration of the Word on the 9th January to celebrate STEAM week. We will also be playing an important part in the Easter Passion Play later in the term and children will be taking their lines home to learn.

Our 'Golden Rules'

At St. George's we expect all children to be well behaved and ready to learn. Here is a reminder of our school rules so that you know what we expect.

- Treat other people how you would like to be treated.
- Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself.
- Always do as you are told straight away.
- Play your part in keeping our school clean and tidy.
- If you have nothing nice to say - say nothing at all.
- Respect other people and their property.
- Walk around school quietly, on the left and in single file.

Finally, have a happy and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to seeing you again in 2026!

Mrs Archer and Mr Coupland

Lent Class 8

Letter!



Welcome!

After Christmas we have a very busy Lent term in Class 8. In this newsletter we have a brief summary of our new learning topics and also a few reminders. In the next stage of our year, we will be consolidating and deepening our learning from last term across all areas of the curriculum, which is in line with our Cognitive Load Theory based approach to learning. This approach provides the best opportunity for children's knowledge to move into their long-term memory, which is the essence of learning, as defined by Ofsted.

PE

Our PE days continue to be Monday and Thursday. However, we will occasionally have PE activities outside of these times and so it is essential that you keep your PE kit in school every day.

PE kit consists of blue shorts (and black joggers in winter), your house colour t-shirt, pumps and trainers, you may also have a hooded sweatshirt in your house colour and navy or black jogging bottoms for outdoor PE. We also ask that children have a spare pair of socks in their PE kit. Long hair must be tied back and no jewellery should be worn for PE. Therefore, if you wear earrings, please ensure that they are not worn on PE days.

Homework

Homework will be set on a weekly basis. It will be set on a Monday and collected on the Friday. Each week you will be given spellings (on a Friday), daily reading and a piece of Maths and Literacy/Topic work to complete. All homework is to be completed in pencil or pen if you have a pen licence, in your homework book.

Reading

We will do our best to listen to you read twice a week but pupils will change their own reading books, making sure that the teacher has ticked by their name to confirm books have been returned. We expect that you will read daily at home to an adult. Your parents should sign and date your reading diary to show that they have heard you read. They should also write which page you will be on next and make a comment about your reading if they wish. Here is an example below:

3/01/26 'The Wrong Side of Bed'. I really enjoyed hearing you read, you used some good expression today. P34 next. Mrs Archer

We reward you for each reading diary entry with a house point so make sure a grown up hears you read every day and writes in your

diary! Diaries need to be handed in every Monday so house points can be rewarded.

The Curriculum

Core Subjects

This term in Literacy, you will be learning to read and write; poetry based on the elements, instructions and a tale of fear. In Maths you will be using a range of methods to add and subtract four digit numbers; learning number bonds to 100 and 1000; learning about different triangles and calculating area and perimeter; making sure you know your times tables; practising how to divide and multiply and how to solve a range of number and shape problems.

In our Science lessons we will continue to deepen our understanding of Plants; Animals; Materials- Rocks; Light; Forces- magnetism; Electricity; Earth and solar System.

Our RE topics will be Galilee to Jerusalem, Desert to Garden and Hinduism.

History and Geography

We will be Learning about the Romans, Anglo Saxons and Vikings, in History lessons. In Geography we will be developing our map skills as well as exploring rivers and erosion.

As part of our PSHE work, we will be thinking about: Gender Stereotypes, Changing bodies, Grief and sharing online. We will also be continuing to learn French on Wednesday afternoons.