ST GEORGE'S GOOD NEWS

INSPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16 **Friday 14th November 2025**

Dear Families,

We hope you all had a relaxing half term break. Two weeks into a busy term and there is already lots to celebrate and look forward to in the weeks ahead.

School admissions

The online admissions application process for children starting school or moving up to Junior school in September 2026 is now open. All online applications must be made by midnight on **15th January 2026**. Buckinghamshire Council has an online application process which is available here.

A late application can seriously jeopardise the chances of a child being offered a place at the preferred school.

Buckinghamshire Council

Let their light shine, starting here at St George's...

Book onto our Reception 2026 Open Days now!

Let your light shine

Matthew 5:16

Wednesday 19th November

Wednesday 7th January

REGISTER NOW

Book Fair

A huge thanks to everyone who supported our school by purchasing books through the Scholastic Book Fair. Together the money spent at the book fair earns the school reward points which can then be redeemed for new books. Thank you!

COMMUNITY COMPASSION COMMITMENT COURAGE LOVE

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS

Being on time each day ensures...

no phonics learning is missed. Reading is a vital part of the curriculum.

Children in Need

Thank you to those who supported our Children in Need non-uniform day on Friday 14th November. We have already surpassed our initial target of £150! It is not too late to donate. You can do so by clicking on the link to our Just Giving page.

BBC Children in Need

DONATE

Phonics parent workshop

Thank you to those parents who attended the recent phonics parent workshop with Miss Williams. We will shortly be sharing a feedback form with those who attended and will also share the slides from the event with all parents via the school website.

Healthy eating and packed lunches

At St George's, we actively promote healthy eating, this includes the food children bring in their lunchboxes. To support families in making healthy choices, please see the NHS guidance for suggested items for school lunchboxes.

Also, when preparing packed lunches, please refer to the NHS guidance linked to the side. Grapes and similar fruit should be quartered lengthways to reduce the risk of choking.

We are a nut-free school

An urgent reminder that **no** food items containing nuts can be brought into school.
We have a number of children and adults who have severe nut allergies and can react just by being in close proximity to nuts.

DON'T FORGET!

Order lunches before 12pm on Friday for the following week.

CLICK HERE

the kids lunch company

SHINING MOMENTS

Recent learning at St George's

Remembrance

House reading competition

We were blown away by the amount of entries to our half term reading competition. Children were asked to read somewhere 'unusual' and they did not disappoint! We had so many wonderful entries we awarded more winners than we had initially planned. Congratulations to Felix, Woody, Joanie, Larna-Star and Jacob who won a £5 book voucher each to spend at our book fair.

A big well done to everyone that entered, you have received 5 house points each!

BRIGHT HORIZONS

coming up at St George's

Diary dates

We have lots of exciting dates and events planned throughout this term. Please keep an eye on the diary attachment for further information. Here is additional information about the up and coming events planned over the next few weeks.

Elfridges

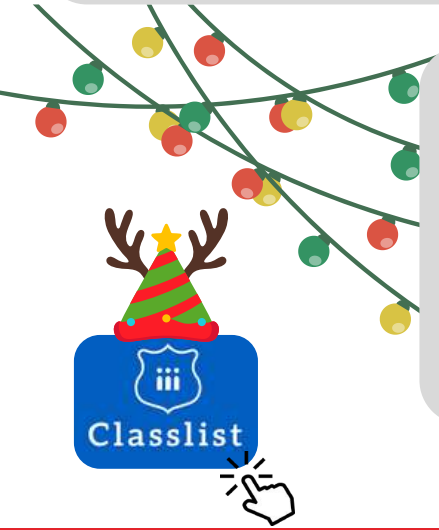
Friday 28th November is Elfdridges, the children's Christmas shopping event. Tickets for this event can be purchased through Classlist. Thank you, in advance, to everyone involved in the planning and organising of this event. The children will thoroughly enjoy themselves!

Advent and Christingle service

According to the Church Liturgical Calendar, Sunday 30th November is the first Sunday in Advent, which is the beginning of the preparation time Christians celebrate before the birth of Jesus.

We will be holding our Christingle Service at school on the afternoon of **Monday 1st December at 4pm**. This is something of a St George's Christmas tradition and is always a really special event. Please complete this Google form by Wednesday 26th November, indicating how many people will be attending. We will be limiting numbers due to the capacity of the hall, so please reply early to avoid disappointment. A donation towards The Children's Society would be gratefully received on the evening, as would a box of mince pies! Thank you.

REGISTER HERE



Christmas Tea

On **Tuesday 2nd December** the children have their Christmas Tea from 3.00-5.00pm. Your child is invited to wear their party clothes to school! This is a PTA event, led by staff. The children will enjoy a disco, Christmassy craft activities, watch a Christmas film and enjoy tea in school. Further information about booking a ticket is available on Classlist.

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Christmas Tree

Would your child like to make a Christmas tree decoration to bring into school to hang on our tree? If so, please bring your decoration to school over the next few weeks.

Our tree is surplus to requirements after 19th December, please let me know if you or someone you know would like our Christmas Tree, it is a shame to see it go to waste once school breaks up.

Theatre trips

We are really excited to offer our Reception and KS1 children an opportunity to visit a theatre this December.

Thank you to those families who have already contributed to these trips. Without sufficient voluntary contributions, the theatre visits will not be financial viable and we will be forced to cancel them. You can make your voluntary contribution via School Money.

CLICK HERE

SchoolMoney

Stewardship and Sustainability

Sustainable Amersham are holding a Christmas Swap event on 15th November at St Michael's Church in Amersham.

How it works

1. Look for toys, books or costumes you or your children no longer use and are still in good condition – no plug-in toys please but battery-powered ones are welcome!
2. A friendly volunteer will meet you and explain how it all works.
3. Explore what's on offer and pick what you'd like to take home
4. Take your items home and enjoy!

For full details, visit the link on the right.

Community Challenge

Class teachers have been really impressed with the children who have already completed part of this year's community challenge. Remember to send in evidence of each challenge to get a sticker in their booklet. This can be a photograph or the activity itself.

Miss Harjette and Mr Griffiths are looking forward to awarding the first completion badge in Celebration Worship very soon!

Thank you

We continue to be really grateful to all who support the school by purchasing items from our Amazon wish list. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

The Entertainer

Remember that if you are purchasing items from The Entertainer, please use this link.

Every purchase made via this link pays a commission to our school. Thank you for supporting St George's.

Facebook

Please continue to check our Facebook page for updates about the lovely activities the children are participating in when at school. Thank you to those who like and share our posts.

Thank you for your continued support this half term. We hope you have a relaxing break.

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Quote of the week

"How beautifully leaves grow old. How full of light and colour are their last days."

John Burroughs

LITTLE DRAGON LEARNING ZONE

The Mindful Monsters activity, which is designed to support children's mental health and well-being, is linked to **creativity** this week.

Magic invention box

Gather a few random household items (spoon, sock, paperclip, etc.) and invent something new!

What does it do?

What is it called?

The link below is from the Maths games website lovemaths.me

This game is called **'Make a ten memory'** and helps children follow instructions and problem solve.

PLAY

CLICK HERE

Take me to your reader

Match the word with the picture to beam it up to the aliens!

CHIT

CHAT

CHOMP

Support your child's oracy skills - learning to talk, through talk.

If you could create your own firework, what colours and shapes would it make in the sky?

What changes have you noticed outside as it gets closer to winter?