ST GEORGE'S GOOD NEWS

INSPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16 **Friday 16th January 2026**

Dear Families,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2026! It was lovely to see the children coming back to school last week for another term of exciting learning.

Thank you!

We would like to start our newsletter with wishing our whole school community a very Happy New Year! We hope 2026 is a happy, healthy and prosperous one for us all. On behalf of all the staff, may we also take this opportunity to say a huge thank you for the kind messages, lovely Christmas cards and gifts we received at the end of last term. Your generosity and kindness really are appreciated.

Prayer calendar

Attached to this newsletter is our Prayer Calendar. Please let me know if you are interested in praying for the school as a group, so I can put you in touch with some other parents who might like to join you.

Inclement weather procedures

With this current cold snap, I wanted to share our inclement weather procedures. If snow is forecast, please have a contingency plan in place for your child, for the beginning of or during the school day, in case of a school closure. Ideally school will remain open but the safety of our school community is always the first priority. On a snowy morning, additional time might be needed for staff to travel safely to school and then clear the snow, ready for the children to arrive. Although we will endeavour to text and email information regarding any school closures or later starts as soon as the decision has been made, if it is snowing, please also check the Buckinghamshire Council site for the most up to date information, using the linked images beside this text.

COMMUNITY COMPASSION COMMITMENT COURAGE LOVE

Community and Climate Action Challenge

We hope your child is enjoying working towards their Community and Climate Action Challenge Award? This is a great way of helping them demonstrate our school value of community, by learning about ourselves and our place in school, in our family and in the wider community. This project is for the rest of the academic year so there is still plenty of time to complete the activities. Please do encourage your child to participate in this challenge as it is hugely rewarding.

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS

A calm start sets children up for a successful day - no rushing, no stress, just ready to learn.

SHINING MOMENTS

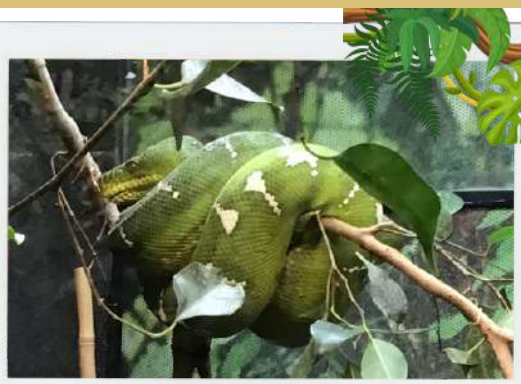
Recent learning at St George's

CONGRATULATIONS!
These children have recently completed their Community and Climate Action Challenge!

Dhruv

Kane

2026, we have lift off! Preschool and Reception have been learning about space. An out-of-this-world welcome to our January intake of preschool children!



Year 1 trip to the Living Rainforest

BRIGHT HORIZONS

coming up at St George's

Diary dates

Please see the attached diary dates for information about the rest of the school year. This calendar is regularly updated so please frequently check this for additions or changes.

Break the Rules Day

On Friday 30th January, The PTA are holding a Break the Rules Day. Your child can have some fun breaking the rules for a good cause! In exchange for a £1 donation to the PTA per rule broken, they can bend the dress code by wearing non-uniform tops, weather-appropriate shoes, non-uniform bottoms, wacky hair accessories, or even create their own rule to break. You can bring money into school on the day or conveniently pay via Classlist. Just look for the "Break the Rules Event."

DON'T FORGET!

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

CLICK HERE

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NSPCC Number Day

Friday 6th February is NSPCC Number Day. Children are invited to wear mufti for a recommended £1 donation towards the NSPCC. The children will participate in lots of fun number and mathematical activities throughout the day.

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week is the week beginning **Monday 9th February**. We will be using resources from 'Place 2 Be' to support the children's learning.

Cake sale

The PTA have organised a Valentines theme, cake sale on **Friday 13th February at 3pm.** Year 1 are invited to donate the cakes (NO NUTS PLEASE) which can be left in the hall on the morning of the sale. The whole school are welcome to purchase the cakes after school.

World Thinking Day

On **Monday 23rd February** we will be celebrating World Thinking Day. World Thinking Day is celebrated annually on 22nd February by all Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. It is also celebrated by Scout and Guide organisations around the world. Children may wear their Beaver, Rainbows or Scout uniform to school.

Mothering Sunday Collective Worship

On **Tuesday 10th March** from 9-10.15am Dads, Grandads, Uncles or any other significant male role models are invited to attend school for a Mothering Sunday Collective Worship followed by time to spend in class with your child, making some Mothering Sunday craft.

Next PTA meeting

The next PTA meeting is at **7.30pm on Wednesday 25th March** at The Boot and Slipper Pub in Amersham. All are welcome! Please do come along to support our school and help plan exciting activities for the children. All funds raised by the PTA provide additional extras for the children to enhance their time at St George's.

Stewardship and Sustainability

Feed the birds (online talk) – 23rd January

What is the best thing to feed birds in your garden? Should you even feed birds at all? How can you make your garden a natural source of bird food?

Join Sustainable Amersham's online talk to get answers to all your questions and learn fascinating facts about the feathered friends in your backyard. This session is designed to help you support local wildlife and increase biodiversity in your own green space for the year ahead.

SUSTAINABLE AMERSHAM

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,

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Safeguarding

Q: Why does school ask about injuries or changes in behaviour?

A: We want to make sure every child is safe, healthy, and supported - your openness helps us do that.

Quote of the week

"And suddenly, you just know, it's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings."

LITTLE DRAGON LEARNING ZONE

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

New Year Wishes

Draw a star and cut it out.
Write or draw one thing you hope for in the new year.
Display it somewhere special.

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

This game is called **'1, 2, 3, 4 Win Them All'** and helps children recognise their numerals quickly. This could also be a good opportunity to practise their number formation.

PLAY

CLICK HERE

Constellation counting
How quickly can you count your number to ten? Twenty? Thirty?

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

What is a happy memory you want to keep forever?

If you could pack a suitcase for the year ahead, what would you put in it? Why?