ST GEORGE'S GOOD NEWS

INSPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16 **Friday 24th October 2025**

Dear Families,

Just like that, the first half term of the year is complete! So many exciting things have been going on at school as the Autumn weather draws in. We hope all our St George's families have a relaxing half term break.

Community Challenge

We are pleased to launch this year's community challenge which was sent home this week. This challenge award is a great way of helping your child demonstrate our school value of community, by learning about ourselves and our place in school, in our family and in the wider community. We look forward to seeing the children complete each challenge to earn a sticker and celebrating completed awards in our celebration worships through the year.

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to those parents who have already made a voluntary contribution this term. Regular or occasional contributions - however modest - allows us to plan with greater confidence and ensure that all pupils benefit from a broad and enriching curriculum.

If you feel able to support the school through a voluntary contribution, we would be very grateful. Donations can be made online via School Money. Please select the option 'Termly Voluntary Contribution'. The amount you see is merely a suggestion; some families choose to give a little more, others a little less – every contribution is appreciated and helps us to continue offering a rich and varied experience for all pupils.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Strong attendance helps your child's...

- social development
- health
- mental wellbeing

HAPPINESS

COMMUNITY COMPASSION COMMITMENT COURAGE LOVE

School admissions

The online admissions application process for children starting school or moving up to Junior school in September 2026 opens on **5th November 2025**. All online applications must be made by midnight on **15th January 2026**. Buckinghamshire Council has an online application process which will be available here.

Buckinghamshire Council

Vision day donations

Thank you to those families who have already donated mosaic resources to help make our vision day become reality.

We are still in need of some resources create our whole school mosaic. If you can donate resources from home or our Amazon wish list, we would be extremely grateful!

You can view our Amazon wish list here:

Hello Yellow fundraising update

Thank you to those who supported World Mental Health Day by wearing something yellow. Well done everyone for working together and demonstrating our school value of community by raising much needed funds for this worthy charity! We have raised **£165** so far with offline donations still to be added.

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

CLICK HERE

the kids lunch company

SHINING MOMENTS

Recent learning at St George's

EYFS visiting our pumpkin patch

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Year 1 trip to Amersham museum

Diwali

We hope that everyone who recently celebrated Diwali had a lovely time with family, friends and celebrations.

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.

Phonics parent workshop

On **Wednesday 5th November** at 9am, Miss Williams will be leading a phonics workshop aimed at Reception parents and any Year 1 or 2 parents who missed the workshop in previous years. It is a great opportunity to find out how you can best support your child's reading journey at home.

Remembrance and the Poppy Appeal

On Wednesday 5th November the children will participate in a special Remembrance Collective Worship. We will talk about the importance of paying our respects to those who are currently serving in the armed forces and remembering those who have bravely fought and tragically lost their lives in battle. Poppies will be on sale from **Monday 3rd November.** The suggested donation to the Poppy Appeal is £1.

Parent consultations

We are holding parent teacher meetings on **Monday 10th and Wednesday 12th November from 2.30-5.30pm.** These meetings are an opportunity to find out about your child's successes and next steps. Further information about booking your appointment will be shared soon. Please note there will be no staff led clubs during this week.

Book fair returns!

Just in time for early Christmas shopping, we are hosting another Book Fair after school, 3pm-3.30pm from **Tuesday 11th November to Friday 14th November**. Any books bought at this fair earns our school free books. What a great way to celebrate reading and support our school!

SAVE THE DATE

BRIGHT HORIZONS

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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

Tuesday 21st October
Wednesday 19th November
Wednesday 7th January

REGISTER NOW

family SUPPORT

Change of date Family Information Event: The Colour Monster and Emotional Regulation

Our next family information event will be on **Friday 14th November** at 2.15pm. We will be looking at how we use the colour monster to support with children's understanding of emotions with some ideas and resources to support with emotional regulation which can be used at home and school. All welcome - please book your place here:

REGISTER HERE

Children in Need

On Friday 14th November, the children are invited to wear their own clothes to school in exchange for a £1 donation towards Children in Need. Please ensure your child still brings a coat to school and wears appropriate footwear because usual school timetables still apply. We will share details of how to donate for this event after half term.

BBC Children in Need

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.

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

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago."

Ephesians 2:10

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.

Happy memory jar

For each day of half term, write or draw one happy memory on a piece of paper. Keep them in a jar to read through before you return to school.

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

This game is called '**Lego barrier**' and helps children follow instructions and problem solve.

PLAY

CLICK HERE

Write sound

Recap your phonics and letter formation with this game.

CHIT

CHAT

CHOMP

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

If you could build a blanket fort big enough for the whole family, what would you put inside?

What is something you've learnt this term that made you proud?