

# Saint George's Church of England Primary Phase Weekly Newsletter



Term 5 – Week 3  
Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Families

Our Year Four children have made us incredibly proud this week! Lots of the children from Fox Class headed off to Grosvenor Hall, a Kingswood residential site in Ashford on Wednesday morning. They have all had a fabulous time and taken part in a wide range of activities testing their problem solving, resilience and team building skills. They returned to school this afternoon, excited to tell us all about their adventure! Thank you so much to Miss Hazel, Miss K, Miss Parker and Mrs Norman, for looking after the children so well during their time away. I think everyone (adults included) will need a good rest this weekend!

For those children who remained in school, a huge well done to them for supporting the other classes with their learning and for being so helpful and caring towards the younger members of our school.

Well done to Owl class this morning for a brilliant worship about the Romans! The children all spoke so clearly about their learning of the Romans and their recent trip to 'Kent Life'. We were entertained by a fantastic song at the end as well. Well done everyone for taking part!

Next week our Year Two children will begin their SATS (Statutory Assessment Tests). All Squirrels parents should have received a letter regarding next week's arrangements. Please contact the school office if you have not received this. We wish them all lots of luck next week and we know they are going to make us very proud of their efforts and resilience during the week.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Taylor



**Red Community** have chosen their reward – they will be having an extra session at forest school with a camp fire and smores!

## ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

*A HUGE well done to Squirrels – so close!  
Attendance Ted will be visiting you next week!*



Hedgehogs	99.58%
Badgers	99.17%
Squirrels	99.6%
Owls	98.39%
Foxes	97.92%

WHAT'S THE BEST DAY TO COME TO SCHOOL?  
**EVERY DAY!**



## For Information

### Forest School Working Party – Volunteers Please!



As you are aware, we have previously asked for volunteers for a Forest School working party. Mrs Taylor would like get the working party up and running to further develop our Forest School area during term six. Our Eco Reps and other members of the staff team will be involved to help make the area a continued enhancement of our curriculum.

If you would like to be part of this development and could spare some time during term six to help us, please email Mrs Taylor on [taylorh@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk](mailto:taylorh@saintgeorgescofe.kent.sch.uk)

**Thank you in advance!**



# For Information

## Phonics

Year 1 Phonics Meeting  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May @ 6pm

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, we will be holding a phonics information evening for our Year 1 parents in the school hall from 6pm and all Badger parents should have received an email regarding the meeting earlier this week. The meeting will talk about the upcoming statutory phonics screening that Year 1 will be completing in June this year. Please note this meeting is just for Year 1 parents and we ask that only adults attend please.

Don't worry if you are unable to attend – the presentation will be available on the school website.



### Plastic pots and tubs for Hedgehog Class!

Thank you so much for your donations of cardboard tubes and boxes – we are really grateful! This time, please can we ask for plastic tubs and pots as Hedgehog class will be making, and floating, boats next week!



### Class Photos



As you are aware the Primary Phase had their class photos on Tuesday, and all children should have come home with a QR code card. Please follow the instructions on this card to order your photo. If you didn't receive, or have lost the card, don't worry! If you have purchased from VanCols before, just email them at them [aftersales@vancols.com](mailto:aftersales@vancols.com), tell them the email address you have registered with, the name of our school and your child's name. If you don't have the card and have never ordered from them before, please contact the Primary Office!

# Owl Class Worship



Well done to Owl Class for their brilliant worship this week. Their parents and schoolmates heard all about their trip to Kent Life, the things they saw, the people they met and the facts they learned. They finished with a very catchy song, 'Just like a Roman'!



Fantastic Work Owls!



## Year 4 Residential

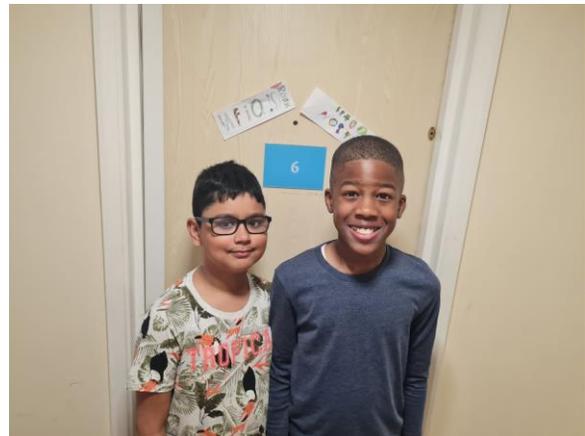
As Mrs Taylor has already mentioned, lots of our Fox Class children have been on the Primary Phase's first ever residential trip! They have spent time at Grosvenor Hall in Ashford and taken part in a whole host of activities including high wires, climbing, fire making and shelter building to name just a few. For many children this is the first time they have been away from home and shared a room with other people, let alone climbed to the top of a 10 metre pole! We hope that they have come home with lots of wonderful memories and a real sense of pride.

The Year 4's who remained in school have also been brilliant & should be equally proud of themselves. Fox Class – you are awesome!

All trip photos have been posted on Facebook this week.



## Fox Class this week!

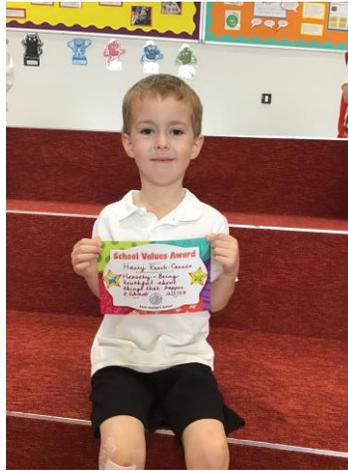


# School Values Awards

Who has been demonstrating our school values this week?



**Phoebe** for showing *resilience* by making good choices in her learning & behaviour!



**Harry** for showing *honesty* by being truthful about things that happen!



**Aurelia** for showing *resilience* in her friendship group this week!



**William** for showing *honesty* by always being truthful when faced with difficulties in class!

**Creativity**

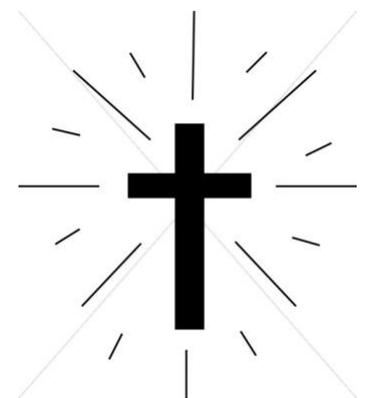
**Honesty**

**Resilience**

**Inclusion**

**Stewardship**

**Thankfulness**



# Our stars of the week!



**Hedgehogs**

**Katie** for her super writing about the Lighthouse Keeper's lunch!

**Badgers**

**Lottie** for her fantastic story map of a Tadpole's Promise!

**Squirrels**

**Amelia-Rose** for being so helpful in the classroom!

**Owls**

**Zara** for amazing improvement with her handwriting!

**Foxes**

**The whole class** for those on the trip and those who stayed at school – you have all been brilliant!

# Dates for your Diary: Term 5 & 6

Term 5	
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Mental Health Awareness Week
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 Trip to Shorne Country Park (see letter sent 30 <sup>th</sup> March)
Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Trust Storytelling Event (further information to follow)
Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 Phonics Screening Information Evening for Parents at 6pm (see email sent 9 <sup>th</sup> May)
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Year R Hearing Screening (only for those who have opted in since first screening)
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term 5. School finishes at 3.10pm.
Term 6	
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> June	First day of term 6!
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Steel Band Workshop (see email sent 11 <sup>th</sup> May)
Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> June	CF Wear Yellow Day (further information to follow)
Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year R trip to Kent Life (see letter dated 2 <sup>nd</sup> May)
Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Sports Day! Parents invited to join their children for a picnic at 12pm, followed by the sporting activities in the afternoon.





**The Summers coming,  
have you thought about swimming lessons?**



- Learn to Swim from 3+ years
- Competitive squads
- Development squad
- Masters squad
- Adult Beginners/Improvers

Gravesend and Northfleet Swimming Club is an independent swimming club operating at the Cygnet Leisure Centre, Old Perry Street, Gravesend, DA11 8BU.

All sessions are led by fully qualified teachers and coaches for swimmers looking to achieve at a competitive level as well as for those looking for stroke development.



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