



St George's School Edgbaston

Newsletter October 2016

E – Safety – The Right Click Workshop

We will be hosting The Right Click: Internet Safety Matters workshop in the Lower School Hall on **Thursday 1st December 2016 at 4pm**. The workshop will be delivered by volunteers from BT in partnership with Unicef UK's Rights Respecting Schools. The workshops provide the perfect opportunity for parents and children to discuss internet safety in the context of children's rights, so it is really important that children attend with their parents. All parents and their children are welcome to attend, but the workshop is particularly aimed at parents with children in Years 4, 5 and 6. The workshop will offer you the opportunity to explore what your child likes doing online and what their concerns are, as well as providing advice on different safety features and how to set them.

Harvest Festival

Our annual Harvest Festival will be held in the Lower School Hall at 2pm on Wednesday 19th October. We are again collecting for the Fireside Centre, which does some sterling work with the homeless and displaced in our city. They are grateful for any donations of food, toiletries, gloves, socks etc. Should you also wish to donate any old but useable items of winter clothing, these will be distributed to those in need by Sister Sabina and her team. The Harvest Festival will be led by the pupils in Year 6, but all classes will be performing songs and poems for you to enjoy. Do join us if you can.

Key Stage 1 Phonics Workshop

You should have received a letter inviting you to a Phonic Workshop on Wednesday 5th October at 2pm. If you have not yet replied to the letter and would like to join us, please let us know as soon as possible. We hope that you can join us, but unfortunately cannot accommodate smaller siblings.

Water Aid

We have received a lovely message from Water Aid thanking the parents, pupils and staff at St George's for their Pupil Pipeline fundraiser last term. I'm delighted to be able to tell you that thanks to everyone's support, Simango Basic School in Zambia now has a supply of clean, safe water! The pupils were absolutely thrilled to hear that money we raised helped to make such a difference to the lives of other children.



Key Stage 2 Maths Workshop

Mrs Sadiq will be running a Maths Workshop on Friday 14th October. She will focus on Bar Models – strategies for problem solving. She will present to parents in the Lower School Hall at 2pm. Following this, you will have the opportunity to join your child to do some maths activities in the classroom. We do hope you can join us. Letter to follow.

School Council

School Councillors are voted for by their peers as the best person to represent the views of their class. This year's School Councillors are:

Reception – Samar Elsharif

Year 1 – Gurvaani

Year 2 – Lina

Year 3 – Julian/Jonah

Year 4 – Zackariah

Year 5 – Aayush

Year 6 – Rohan

Well done everyone!

Cinema Trips

Years 1 – 6 will be participating in the Into Film Festival during November. These are free trips, and pupils will be watching films at local cinemas that support their Literacy or Topic work. Pupils may bring snacks, as there will be no time to access the shop!

Years 1 and 2 – Basil the Great Mouse Detective, Odeon New Street

Years 3 and 5 – Pete's Dragon, Odeon New Street

Year 4 – Matilda, Vue Cinema

Year 6 – Eddie the Eagle, The Electric Cinema

SPACE - Zootopia

Reception Class will be having their 'cinema experience' in school on Thursday 12th October 2015.

House Captains

Pupils in Year 6 delivered some superb House Captain Campaign speeches to the staff and pupils in their Houses. It was a tough decision, but the pupils elected into the roles of House Captain and Vice-Captain are:

Diamond – Ria (HC) and Alex (VC)

Emerald – Nathaniel (HC) and Ewan (VC)

Ruby – Nia (HC) and Benji (VC)

Sapphire – Owais (HC) and Bella (VC)

Half Term Reminder

A polite reminder that school closes for the Half Term holiday at 3.30pm on Wednesday 19th October. Clubs and Aftercare will run as normal.

Multi-Faith Week

The children will be visiting local places of worship from week commencing 14th November. You will shortly receive a letter giving you more details with regards to location and arrangements.

Gardening Club Sale

The children and staff have been working very hard to produce some handmade cards, clay ornaments and potted spring bulbs, all of which will be on sale in the Lower School Hall from 3.30pm – 4.15pm on 17th October. All proceeds will be ploughed back into buying more gardening resources for the children to benefit from.



Dates For Diary—October

Wednesday 5th October: Phonics Workshop Reception/KS1 2pm.

Saturday 8th October: Open Day for Whole School 10.00am—12.30 noon.

Tuesday 11th October: Year 1 CBeebies Live Lesson 11.00—12.00noon.

Friday 14th October: Maths Workshop KS2, 2pm.

Friday 14th October: Nurse Vicky to visit Year 2 as part of topic.

Tuesday 18th October: Year 5 Trip to Birmingham Museum.

Christmas Dates

Christmas is always a busy time in Lower School! With this in mind, we have produced a list of dates in December to help you organise your diaries. More details to follow!

Thursday 1st December: E – Safety The Right Click Workshop, 4pm – 5pm

Tuesday 6th December: Years 2 – 6 Panto Trip, Beauty and the Beast, Palace Theatre Redditch

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch

Thursday 8th December: Reception, Years 1 and 2 Performance, 2pm

Friday 9th December: Key Stage 2 Performance, 2pm

Monday 12th December: Reception and Year 1 Trip to Ashend Farm

Tuesday 13th December: Academic Awards Assembly 9am

Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Party pm

Wednesday 14th December: Church Service am

Wednesday 14th December: School finishes for the term at 12.15pm. No clubs or Aftercare.



Dates For Diary—November

Wednesday 2nd November: Years 4 and 5 'Sparks' Fire Service, 2pm

Friday 4th November: SEND Afternoon Tea at 2pm

Thursday 10th November: Year 1 and 2 New Street Odeon

Monday 14th November: Year 2 visit to Synagogue

Monday 14th November: Year 4 film trip to Vue

Tuesday 15th November: Year 2 visit to Aston Hall

Thursday 17th November: Year 5 to New Street Odeon

Thursday 17th November: Year 3 Cinema Trip

Friday 18th November: Children In Need, Fire Service Talk Yr2

Tuesday 22nd November: Year 6 trip to Electric Cinema

Friday 25th November: Reception Cinema Experience 2pm