



St George's Lower School March 2017 Newsletter

World Book Day Visit

Years 1 – 6 had a wonderful time with our visiting authors Lindsay Taylor and Suzanne Smith. Each class attended a workshop where they found out how to take their ideas and turn them into a story. Both authors were particularly impressed with the behaviour, enthusiasm, creativity of the children.

Cutlery and Kitchen Utensils

If anyone has any old or spare cutlery (spoons & forks) please could you donate them to the school. Mrs Walsh and Mrs Moran would like them for the Gardening/Craft Club; they will be used for their wind chime project! We would also appreciate any donations of kitchen utensils for our two 'Mud Kitchens' which the children access at break and lunchtimes. Your support is as always greatly appreciated.

Photo Consent Reminders

An updated Photo Consent Form was sent home before the Half Term break. Please could you make sure you complete it and return it to the Lower School office staff as soon as possible.

Facebook Reminder

Don't forget to check the St George's Facebook page which is regularly updated with photos from trips and school events.

Active Kids Vouchers

The Sainsbury's Active Kids Voucher scheme has started again and runs until 2nd May 2017. Please send your vouchers into school, where there is a collection box in the school entrance ready and waiting. The more we can collect the more equipment the children will be able to enjoy!

Comic Relief

On Friday 24th March we will be supporting Comic Relief by hosting a non-uniform day. We ask that children come to school dressed in red. We will have a breaktime cake sale and the School Council will be organising and hosting a talent contest. Should you wish your child to partake in these events, please send them in with a £1 donation for wearing home clothes and up to 50p to purchase cakes. **All** proceeds will go to Comic Relief.

Open Day

St George's are hosting their Spring Open day on Saturday 11th March. Open Day provides an opportunity for prospective families to look at our both our Upper and Lower School setting, and gain an insight into the curriculum and provision we offer. Should you be considering the Upper School for your child's secondary provision, or Lower School for any younger siblings, please do come along.

Pupils Leaving

We are always sad to say goodbye when pupils have to leave us due to a change in family circumstances. On entry to the school, parents are informed that they must give a full term's notice in writing in order to avoid additional charges. Whilst all staff in the school are keen to support you with any academic or pastoral concerns you may have, they cannot intervene on your behalf on issues related to finance. Should you have any financial queries you should communicate with Nasar Razaq in our finance office: RazaqN@sgse.co.uk

Those of you who wish to discuss any financial issues with the Trustees, can contact them through Maureen Fahy: admin@sgse.co.uk

Dolce Catering

Please remember to book and pay for your child's food for the week online. We are informed that whilst the menu runs on a three week cycle, you can pay in advance and order for the half term. If you have any feedback, queries or concerns about the food being provided please contact Dolce directly: customercare@dolce.co.uk or telephone 01942 707709.

Years 1 and 2 Maths Workshop Friday 3rd March 2pm

Following on from the success of our Key Stage 2 workshop, Mrs Sadiq will be delivering a Maths Workshop which focuses on how we teach Maths in Key Stage 1. Mrs Sadiq will deliver a presentation to parents in the Lower School hall, and you will also have the opportunity to join your child in their classroom for some Maths based activities.

We do hope that you can join us, but unfortunately we cannot accommodate younger siblings.

Gifted and Talented Workshops

As you know selected pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 regularly attend workshops at King Edwards High School. Pupils from Year 5 and 6 recently attended an inspiring Creative Writing Workshop, and pupils from Year 5 will attend a Technology and Film Workshop on Wednesday 8th March.

Collection at the End of the School Day and Clubs

We would like to remind parents that we expect prompt collection at the end of the school day, **3.30pm**. Uncollected children will be sent to our Aftercare facility and parents will be charged. This also applies to collection from after school clubs, when parents are expected to collect their children at **4.30pm**. Again, uncollected children will be sent to Aftercare and charges will be applied.

Reports

Please could you complete the feedback sheet which you received with your child's report, and return it to the Lower School office or your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Scholastic Books

We are delighted to inform you that we raised £551.90 in book sales. Well Done to everyone who contributed in buying books. This has enabled us to purchase some new exciting books for the School Library.

Year 6 Trip

Year 6 will be out on a trip to the 'Manchester Imperial War Museum, and Lowry Gallery' on Monday 13th March 2017. Please note all pupils **MUST** be in school ready to leave by **8.15am and will return at approximately 5.00pm**.

Dates For Diary – March 2017

Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
Friday 3 rd March	KS1 Maths Workshop at 2.00pm
Monday 6 th March	Years 3 and 4 Football Match
Wednesday 8 th March	Year 5 at Technology & Film Workshop at KES
Friday 10 th March	Year 2 Trip to Black Country Living Museum
Monday 13 th March	Year 6 Trip to Manchester Imperial War Museum and Lowry Gallery - 8.15am – 5.00pm
Tuesday 14 th March	Year 1 Trip to Warwick Castle
Wednesday 15 th March	Year 3 Class Assembly
Friday 17 th March	Reception Class Trip to Botanical Gardens
Monday 20 th March	Year 2 Trip to Library
Wednesday 22 nd March	Year 5 Class Assembly
Thursday 23 rd March	Parents Evening
Friday 24 th March	Comic Relief
Friday 24 th March	SEND Coffee Morning at 8.45am
Monday 27 th March	Years 3 and 5 Trip to Mad Museum, Stratford
Wednesday 29 th March	Under 11's Football Tournament at Wolverhampton Grammar School
Friday 31 st March	Academic Awards Assembly