

St. George's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents

I hope you all had a great half term last week; not the best of weather but a break does everyone some good. Let's hope we've seen the worst of the wind as we tip-toe towards spring.

CELEBRATION OF DIFFERENCE

What a fantastic turnout for our 'Dress to Impress' day! The school was just alive with colour and so much excitement from all the children. I loved the odd socks, odd shoes and wild colours – hats off to the staff too; they were an explosion of eccentric colour! It was a brilliant day to celebrate children's mental health week and rounded the week off perfectly. Thank you to everyone for getting so involved.



WORLD BOOK DAY

Don't forget – next Thursday (3rd March) is another day of celebration! World Book Day is a great opportunity to dress up and celebrate the joy and love of reading throughout the school. We have some lovely activities planned and look forward to children sharing their books and showing us their favourite book characters. The staff will also be participating, dressing as a character from their favourite books. It should be a great day!

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MONDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

Please be aware that we are having a new phone system installed on Monday morning. I'm sure you'll appreciate that it's going to be a complex operation and will mean that our phone lines, and internet, will be down for the majority of the morning. Please still use the School Spider app to report any absences. Where possible, do send them in before 9.00 am so Mrs Jones can access them before the lines and internet go down. Messages can also be left on the answer machine before 9.00 am. Otherwise, please be aware that you'll be unable to contact school until after 12.30 am. Many thanks.

SCHOOL NURSE DROP-IN

Our School Nurse (Ruth Swanson) will be available on Thursday morning for the return of the drop-in sessions. If you'd like to see the school nurse, or discuss anything with her, please just pop along from 8.30am and she'll be happy to chat.

NEW CHROMEBOOKS

The children have started to use our new Chromebooks up in KS2. We have 32 high speed, cloud based Chromebooks that are proving a real hit with the children. Life is so much easier when technology works! We're delighted to be able to de-commission our old ICT room and create a new peaceful working area for group work and interventions. We also want to purchase a further 10 Chromebooks to support children's learning in this relaxed setting while allowing the trolley of Chromebooks to be used around the school.



REMINDER OF PARENTS' APPOINTMENTS

On the last newsletter before half term, we provided a list of dates for parents' appointments that will be coming up; some this half term with the remaining just after Easter. There is just one amendment for Nursery parents, as we've moved this forward. Please see below:

Year 6: Monday 14th March

Nursery: Monday 21st March

Year 1: Monday 25th April

Year 2: Tuesday 26th April

Reception: Thursday 28th April

Year 4: Thursday 28th April

Year 3: Friday 29th April

Year 5: Friday 29th April

Details of how to book will be provided to each class closer to the time.



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