



# St Georges Church School and Nursery

## NEWSLETTER

Summer Term 5 2025



**Dear Families,**

We have had a lovely start to our Summer Term with highlights of Year 4 Camp, Year 1 Family Worship and the big PTFA Wonderlicious event! Year 6 have done an amazing job in their SATs and we are very proud of them all. Our new Nursery Leader, Mrs Beresford, is settling in and getting to know the families and children.

### **Exciting times ahead...**

Behind the scenes, I am working on a playground project with the PTFA and Mr Barrett as well as gathering children's thoughts on the best options for play equipment to improve our playtime provision for all children. We are hoping to raise funds with help from the PTFA and larger companies to make this dream a reality. It will be an opportunity that could improve outdoor learning in years to come. Whilst we await funding options and application returns, we will be keeping you updated. Anything is possible for one who believes and I believe we can get there!

Also, the PTFA are working hard on preparing the Summer Fair for Saturday 21st June to raise money to support the school. We hope to see you all there, where you will yet again be offered the opportunity to throw a wet sponge at me and Mr Barrett, eat lots of ice cream and spend hours on inflatables.

### **Pond volunteers needed!**

I am hoping to get some volunteers to help me with the pond! Please get in touch with me if you can help. Particularly, volunteers who own over-the-shoulder waders, who can spare some time on a weekend to support me to clear the weeds from the surface of our school pond. This will allow the opportunity for our children to use the area again in their outdoor learning hopefully before the end of the year.



Many thanks to Callum Gould who has worked on the area to ready it for use by cutting back the overgrowth around the area.

### **SEND event on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June:**

We are holding our June SEND support event from 4pm - 5.30pm. This time, I am very pleased to announce that I have 2 speakers sharing a short information session on ADHD and behaviour at home. Whilst the teacher drop-in sessions immediately after the talk are offered to those children with a Record of Need, I am opening the talk to any parents who wish to attend. Please fill out the form (link below) if you wish to attend the event, so that we know how many people to expect.

<https://forms.office.com/e/cFekgHserm>

### **Final thoughts:**

I would like to thank all the staff who work each day to create amazing learning experiences for our children. We are privileged to have such wonderful upcoming opportunities for our school grounds but also the every day experiences that children have in the classroom.

Many thanks for all of your support for St Georges Church School and Nursery,  
Sarah Starr

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## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO...?



Nursery - This term Acorn class have welcomed Mrs Beresford into our Nursery team; she is eager to meet everyone, so please make yourselves known to her at the Nursery door!

There has been excitement around growing this term as we watch our sunflowers and cress seeds develop. The children are very good at caring for our growing plants. As the warmer weather arrived, we have experimented with the water trays, thinking about what floats and sinks. Our walks around the school grounds have allowed us to explore the geography of the school and think about maps like in the story 'What the Ladybird Heard'.

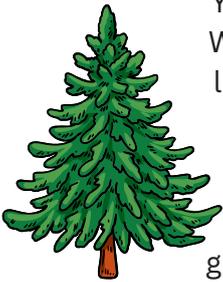
We finished the term with our trip to Court Farm where we met all the animals and enjoyed a fun tractor ride! What a super term Acorn Class!

Reception - Willow Class. Term 5 has been all about animals and what fun we have had! Bonnie and her baby, Hope came to visit us to start off our term. Mammals, insects, sea creatures and birds are some of the animals we have thought about and enjoyed learning different facts about. A fantastic visit from a parent vet really gave the children inspiration within their role play and asking questions to take their learning forward, thank you Bella's Mum.



We have focused on our handwriting and teen numbers this term impressing our teachers. To finish our wonderful term, we had a super day at Court Farm, feeding lambs, watching milking happen and a tractor ride!

Well done Willow Class.



Year 1 - Pine class have had great fun learning all about childhood in the Victorian era. We visited Weston Museum and enjoyed a workshop where we used chalk to write and learnt about how strict teachers were back then... we did not like the idea of a cane or back board as punishment! We had fun learning how washing was done by hand and we were very excited to use Victorian toys. This learning has continued in school.

Our other main topic was plants. We were very lucky to experience some hands on gardening with the help of Eric's grandma and had great fun with this. We have learnt a lot about different parts of a plant including seeds, bulbs, roots and stems. We will continue to look after our plants and hopefully grow some tomatoes, carrots and peas.

Year 2 - Beech Class have been eagerly getting stuck into their new project 'Magnificent Monarchs'. As historians, we have been finding out about kings and queens throughout history; including how much power they had and where they lived.

We have linked our writing to our science, this term, and have been busy finding out about brown bears and writing reports about them. We were also very excited to start our learning about fractions as mathematicians.



Year 3 - Juniper class has started a grand new history unit, Ancient Egyptian Civilisation. So far this term, we have explored where in history this civilisation sat and noticed that it happened over the same time as the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age! We then learnt about hierarchy and society within Ancient Egypt (you may have seen our video).



In English, we have loved exploring the world of Lizard Street and the mysterious Krindlekrax and the unlikely hero of Ruskin Splinter. As mathematicians, we now understand fractions; we've spent a lot of time exploring fractions of a shape thinking about the size, equivalence and unit and non-unit fractions. Finally we have begun a big DT project... by the end of next term we will have built a working greenhouse to protect our plants and support growth.

Year 4 - Aspen class had an exciting start to the term on their camp at Hooke Court, immersing ourselves in Ancient Egypt, singing campfire songs and designing and building some powerful rockets.

Since our return, we have been busy exploring electricity and circuits, learning about the Viking raids on England, particularly on the Lindisfarne monastery and understanding and then creating Islamic art. We have also refreshed our map reading skills and considered how the Buddhist 8-fold path can lead to living a "good life".



Year 5 - This term Cedar class have been exploring shape. As computer technologists we have been building on our work last term by looking at vector drawing as a graphic design tool whilst as mathematicians we have been exploring angles and 3-d shape.

As designers we have been looking at architecture with a particular focus on the classical style found in Ancient Greece and hope to finish our very own Acropolis this week!

As readers we have been enjoying Cosmic and as writers we have been working on biographies and character descriptions. As scientists we have continued to look at the properties of different materials which we hope to conclude with our visit to Bristol Aerospace museum next term.



Year 6 - Birch class. Well done Year 6 - you did it! Term 5 has been full of reading, grammar and maths revision, and all Year 6s hard work paid off in SATs week. I would like to once again congratulate the children on their brilliant, positive attitudes and effort.

We are now focussing on editing, reviewing and publishing in our writing, and have also written our own flashback stories linked with our learning on WWI and WWII. In art, we've explored distortion and abstraction and have created pieces exploring changes to shape, colour and line. We have also begun to practice for our end of year production: Treachery at Traitor's Quay - we can't wait to show you in Term 6!



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# Upcoming Dates

(Details of events will be sent in due course)



- **Monday 2nd June** - First day of Term 6
- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** - SEND evening
- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** - 6pm New Reception class information evening
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June** - PTFA non-uniform day for bottle tombola
- **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Y6 Hooke Court residential
- **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Non-uniform for Cystic Fibrosis awareness
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June** - Class photos
- **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** - INSET DAY (school closed)
- **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June** - 10am-1pm Summer Fair
- **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** - Wrong Trousers Day
- **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** - PTFA Summer disco
- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** - Y2 trip to Bristol Zoo Project
- **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July** - Sports Week (PE kit everyday)
- **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** - Sports Day (weather permitting!)
- **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July** - Y3 trip to We the Curious
- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Y5 trip to Aerospace Bristol
- **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July** - Y6 performances
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** - St Georges Extravaganza!
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July** - Y6 celebration picnic (after school)
- **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** - Y6 leavers worship

At St Georges, we know that supporting children to have **good mental health** is paramount to supporting them to be the **very best version of themselves**. Please take a look on our **school website** for more information on ways in which we can support your children in school.

Additionally, help and support can be found through the support lines below:

**Childline** - call 0800 1111. freephone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**The Young Minds Parents Helpline**, freephone on 0808 802 5544 (9.30am-4pm, Monday-Friday, UK)

**Samaritans** - call 116 123, freephone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Text based service - text the word 'shout' to 85258. This is a free and confidential messaging service available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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# School Term Dates 2025/2026

## Term 1

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September - First day of Term 1

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Last day of Term 1

## Term 2

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November - First day of Term 2

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of Term 2

## Term 3

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - First day of Term 3

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Last day of Term 3

## Term 4

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February - First day of Term 4

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Last day of Term 4

## Term 5

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Inset day (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April - First day of Term 5

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May - Bank holiday (school closed to pupils)

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Last day of Term 5

## Term 6

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - First day of Term 6

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last day of Term 6