



TODDINGTON ST. GEORGE CHURCH of ENGLAND SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

WOW-What a week!

It has been a very busy week at St Georges this week and the children have been brilliant ambassadors for the school. With the committed support of Parents, Governors and of course ALL the staff, the children have been able to be part of a special week in their school.

Saturday Thank you for joining us at our 50th celebrations last weekend. With the sun shining all the year groups performed so well in their presentations – what a super job they did. The finale that Streetdance led was a great ending to the afternoon. Mrs Tillin also did a great job producing a book and wonderful photo boards for the day and leading the planning team for the whole day. The marquee was packed and the memory books sold out too! We hope you enjoyed the ‘Disco through the Decades’ in the evening that Mrs Child and Mrs Ward planned with great help from Mrs Rogers and Mrs Kirby and so many of the PTA team.

Sunday was the great clear up and former staff, parents, staff and Governors helped out so that we could start school on Monday. The site looked great and the Eco Teams tulips continued to bloom.

Monday was Airport day for Year 2. “It was such fun and I learnt loads of new stuff”, was the quote from a child after the day; Year 3 went to Verulamium and the children were surprised to find out some differences from Roman times to today. One report back was “You don’t need a ticket for the Roman amphitheatre, but you do when you go to Milton Keynes theatre!”

Tuesday Year 5 children came to meet with Year 4 children as part of our transition programme with Parkfields Middle School. It was super to see former pupils again!

Wednesday Inspection of the school took place, with an Inspector from the Statutory Inspectors of Anglican and Methodists Schools, arriving at 7.50 a.m. and leaving with her judgement at 6pm. With over 140 children being interviewed or observed in lessons, teachers being observed, interviews with; 6 parents, 6 Governors, our Vicar, Reverend Linda, all the Leadership team, the RE coordinator, and myself, and over 100 documents being submitted we felt we had been able to offer a good picture of everyday school life at St Georges. We will get a formal report back in mid-May, and are not allowed to share details with you before then, but we can tell you we were very pleased with the outcome and that the children ‘sold the school’. Thanks to everyone for the hard work that entailed

and also to Mrs Collins our former Deputy who had also led on this work before taking on her Headship at a local Nursery school.

Thursday The Open The Book team came and Year R joined us in the hall to be part of the short drama the team do. Year 1 parents came to hear about The Forest School that Miss Elliott is leading and to hear about the extra teaching this term. Year 4 children went to Athletics at Parkfields. Congratulations to all who took part and to Izzy Tillin, Ava Cunningham and Harrison Mitchell for winning their 400m races. The next group of Nursery Parents and Carers (Sept 2018 intake) came to view Nursery, meet the Nursery leaders and sign up for Home Visits. We look forward to meeting the children when they visit in June. Thanks to Mrs Barnish for coordinating this event, and so many other parts of this busy week.

Quadkids Athletics Participants – Izzy Tillin, Yiiyah Williams, Harrison Mitchell, Vale Rawson, Ava Cunningham, Zara Matthews, Seth Massink, Fynn McEvoy.

Friday and so to today....potentially a quieter day with the 'golden lunch table' for those children who have shown lovely manners at lunchtime this week and 'Well Dones' for super work throughout the week.

And this weekend.....My Theatre are busy performing at Harlington Upper School. We wish all the children involved every success as they perform.

To ensure the week has worked, there has had to be a great team effort by so many. Thank you for your support in making the week such a successful one for the children.

Other news - Confirmation of some dates and places. Further details will follow as we receive them in school. **Year 4 Egyptian day** is now confirmed to be on 11th June, and a letter with full details will come home early next week.

Kwik Cricket (Yrs3&4) starts on Monday (3.30-4.30pm) after school for those whose forms were back before the text confirming the club is full yesterday.

Diary dates for the full term were sent out last week. Do go to **Newsletters section** of the website to check these as necessary.

Please could you be considerate to our neighbours when parking for the school run. We are still having instances reported where cars are blocking people's driveways, this isn't just happening on Manor Road, but other surrounding roads as well.

A reminder that if any Year 4 children are walking to school, please let your child's teacher know.

After school next week we will be selling 50th mugs (£4) and bears (£5) on the front playground. Order forms for year group tea towels, DVDs and memory books are in book bags or available from the office.