



# St George's Newsletter

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*"For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness." Psalm 18:28*

## Collective Worship

This week in Collective Worship we have been focusing on the topic 'light'. The children have been reflecting on the meaning and significance of the Hindu festival of Diwali and the story of Rama and Sita. We also discussed the significance of light as a religious symbol, and how important having light is to us, in so many ways. The children learnt that Jesus told us, 'I am the light of the world.' He also said that whoever follows him wouldn't walk in darkness but have the light of life. From this the children could think about God as both the creator of light and light itself. As always, there was time for reflection upon these thoughts.



## This week at St George's...

.....Year 5 have shown fantastic adaptability and perseverance this week, completing tasks on Microsoft Teams while isolating at home. Despite using a range of devices and having to get around a few technical issues, they have all worked really hard to continue their learning. Mr Hill has been impressed with how supportive they have been of each other (and him!) while they all adjust to a new way of learning. Well done Year,5 keep up the hard work!

.....Year 2 have been using the shape poem 'Tree' by James Carter in their whole class guided reading lessons. Miss Drayton was very impressed with the children's whole class choral performance of it and how well they were able to spot the rhymes and draw out some of the messages in it about taking care of our planet and planting new trees if we cut them down. To have a look at the shape poem Year 2 have been studying please follow this link:

<http://www.jamescarterpoet.co.uk/poems.html>

....Reception have been developing an understanding of growth and changes over time. The children have had a go at planting some cress seeds. Throughout the next few weeks, they shall be observing and talking about how the cress changes and grows over time. We look forward to seeing how they grow over the next few weeks!



## Star of the week:

Rec– Sanousy

Y1–Naaithim

Y2–Abia

Y3–Chelsea

Y4–Amy

Y5– Raneim

Y6– Taylor

## Worker of the week:

Rec– Lemuel

Y1–Rio

Y2– Uzair

Y3– Lawrence

Y4–Dosana

Y5– Muayyad

Y6– Rosie

## Attendance

Reception– 98.2 %

Year 1– 97.7 %

Year 2- 96.9%

Year 3– 98.9%

Year 4– 97.5%

Year 5– 97.6%

Year 6– 96.5%

**WELL DONE YEAR 3!**

## Reminder:

On Monday 23rd November, the school nurse will be attending St George's to carry out Year 1 vision screening checks.



We ask kindly that all parents/carers adhere to our one-way system at drop off and pick up times. It is vitally important at this time, to ensure the safety of all those who attend our school; and to adhere to the current government guidelines. Thank you.

## Anti-Bullying Week -16th-20th November 2020

No one likes the thought of bullying occurring, yet it is a challenge that every school has to face. Whether bullying focuses on a characteristic such as race, sexuality, disability, nationality, faith or if there is no particular characteristic at all, we should all find it unacceptable. Here at St George's we stand strong against any form of bullying!

Below are some useful links for anyone who feels they are experiencing bullying, or for anyone who like some more information about bulling and mental health. We hope you will find these useful.

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/school-resources>

<https://curriculumblog.lgfl.net/2020/11/anti-bullying-week-16th-20th-november-2020>

<https://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk>

<https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/resources/anti-bullying-week-2020-toolkit/>

