



# St George's Newsletter

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## School is closed on Monday as it is Bank Holiday

### Ramadan and SATs

This year the beginning of Ramadan coincides with SATs for pupils in year 6. We have received this from the Deputy Secretary General, Dr Omer El-Hamdoon, on behalf of the Muslim Council of Britain, which we pass on for information:

“The Month of Ramadan is a great spiritual month for Muslims. It is an opportunity to achieve piety and to become more conscious of God, ourselves and others. Muslims throughout the world fast the days of this month. They fast from dawn to sunset. The fast is obligatory on those who have passed puberty. However, as a form of practice, children under puberty are encouraged to fast to get into the habit of fasting and also to share in the communal dimension that is apparent as the whole family fasts together and breaks fast together.

“As Islam is also a pragmatic religion, it recognises that there are instances or circumstances in which people cannot fast. One such circumstance is when one is undertaking important examinations or tests. If one feels that they are unable to concentrate well to carry out the test, then they have the religious dispensation to break the fast. The decision to do this should remain that of the individual child directed and guided by the parent(s).”

### Year 2 Trip to Warwick Castle

Wow! An incredible day at Warwick Castle...so much to see and do. Year 2 thought it was amazing!!! A big “Thank You” to all the pupils who were great ambassadors for our school. They were all well behaved despite bubbling with excitement, interest and enthusiasm.

### Our day at Warwick Castle

The day started with us ‘getting lost’ in a maze - splitting into groups, we had great fun finding our way out! Then we trekked up to the Motte, the oldest part of the castle. After that, we journeyed towards the marquee to have our lunch and spotted some pretty peacocks shaking their tail feathers! How lovely they looked!

Shortly after lunch, we saw some birds of prey and then marched on to our next stop - a special workshop taken by a helpful princess. We then designed our own shields, which we will paint onto wooden shields later in the term at school. Later we saw the Bowman who explained the techniques and equipment used in this popular historic past time!

Next, we further explored the castle and discovered how life was for people who worked at the castle long ago. To end the day we experienced a journey back in time to medieval ages in 'The Kingmaker' exhibition.

Many of the children said that it was a great day and that they would love to go back with their parents to see it all again!



# Star of the Week

Reception ~ Dunamis

Year 1 ~ 8 children

Year 2 ~ Whole Class

Year 3 ~ Isaac

Year 4 ~ Gabrielle and Daniel

Year 5 ~ Valeria

Year 6 ~ Godwill



# Worker of the Week

Reception ~ Chelsea

Year 1 ~ Moraiyus and Yusuf

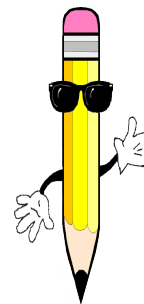
Year 2 ~ Natan, Freddie and Zoey

Year 3 ~ Lexa

Year 4 ~ Mena

Year 5 ~ Suweria

Year 6 ~ Talesia and Jadea



## Letters and Important Information

- Drama Link Y4 letter
- School is closed on Monday as it is a Bank Holiday.
- On Tuesday from 3.30-4pm there is a Cornwall Residential meeting for Y5. This will take place in the Year 1 classroom.
- Y6 SATs week is from Monday 14th May until Thursday 17th May. Please ensure your child is in school by 8.15am on these days.

## Games and Toy Amnesty

FSA want to improve the wet playtime games for our children. We are asking for donations of unwanted games in good condition ie they have all the pieces and are in unbroken boxes. Battery operated games are also welcome for example Bop-IT. The FSA will be donating more games for them to play with at lunchtimes.

## Read to Succeed

Reception - *Amelia, Carolina, Chloe, Holly, N'Riah, Riley and Zoe*

Year 1 - *Amelia-Rose, Dosana, Kaycee, Liyanah, Mohammed, Moraiyas, Safa and Zakk.*

Year 2- *Tegan and Zoe.*

Weekly winner- Year 1

## Accelerated Reader

Year 3- *Ezra, Isaac, Ta'Rayah, Zachary and Lola.*

Year 4- *Megdelawit, Lewis, Elham, Arianna, Dylan and Joel.*

Year 5- *Tumise, Lawrens, Ruby and Bless.*

Weekly winner- Year 4

