



St George's R.C Primary School Newsletter

November 2016

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Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely half term break!

This month in school we have some very exciting events for the whole family!

Family Mission in Church with Father Kieran Brady .

From Sunday November 6th - Friday November 11th

What is a Mission? Our Parish and School are about to experience a special renewal of Catholic life in our local area. This is a special event in the life of our Parish. A Mission happens only once every few years. It is a great opportunity to slow down and look at our lives. It is also a time to look at our relationship with God and our relationships with those around us. The Mission services will remind us of the love God has for each one of us and for our world. It is also an invitation to work more closely with God and our local Parish community. We look forward to seeing you at the Mission Services.

A leaflet detailing the full week of events will be sent out this week!

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE:

Thursday Evening 10th November ~ Celebrating our Parish Family ~ A Family Service—7.00pm

"We are the family of God united in his love"
(followed by tea and coffee)

Star Gazing Live Event!

Monday November 7th

School Field from 18:00

Hosted by the York Astronomical Society!!

Wear wellies and bring a red light or torch. Red lights help your eyes adjust to the dark. (A bike light is perfect). Looking forward to seeing you there!



FIREWORK SAFETY!

This month the children will be learning about how to stay safe on Bonfire Night and learning all about the Firework Code. They will also be learning all about Guy Fawkes. Children in years 1 and 2 have been making their own Guys dressed in a St Peter's School uniform. We are not burning our Guys though!! We are collecting a 'Penny for the Guy' and sending all profits to a hedgehog charity ~ as hedgehogs like to make cosy nests in unlit bonfires. Please check your fires before you light them!!



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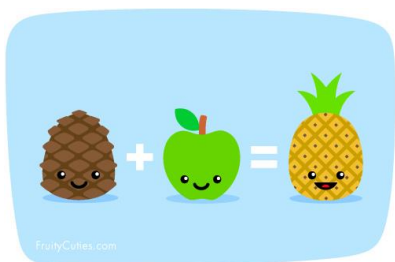
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MATHS IS EVERYWHERE!!

In school this year we are reminding children that maths is everywhere and that maths is needed every day in all sorts of practical ways. Get your children to help with online purchases, add up bills in cafes or work out the area and perimeter of the back yard. Younger children can play I spy with bus numbers and house numbers. Make a simple game by choosing a number (eg 32) and try seeing how many different ways you can make that number! ($3 \times 10 + 2$) (2×16) Who will win? Can you make a simple MENTAL maths game for your friends to play during wet play??



Mrs Clark and Miss Casimo

Maths subject leaders.

Spelling at St George's RC School

We are having a huge emphasis this year on spelling. At the beginning of the year each child was assessed to find out their spelling age using the SPAR spelling test. They will be reassessed during our regular assessment weeks.

Spelling strategies are being used in each class to TEACH children how to spell. Reading really helps with spelling but there are also spelling rules that need to be learned. Each child is taught from reception class how to use a dictionary and by the time the children are in KS2 their dictionary skills should be very good. Why not play some dictionary games at home? See how quickly you can find a word and then read the definition. Is it a noun, a verb or an adjective? Remember to look for the ROOT word. Spellings may be sent home for children to learn and they will be tested in context (using them in sentences and in their work) rather than learning a list of stand-alone words. Pop into school to see your child's teacher to see how you can help even more at home.

Thank you.

Father Christmas might pop a dictionary in your Christmas stocking.....

BIKE SHED NEWS

The bike shed has now been cleared out! The tables and chairs that were in there were supposed to be going to another school, but at the last minute they found a different solution to their table and chair issue. We didn't just want to throw them away or send them to land fill so we kept waiting.....but then our bike shed became very messy! (Apart from the amazing go karts of course!!). You will be pleased to know that we were finally able to re-cycle all of the metal and donate some of the chairs to a local school. The bike shed floor will be power washed soon and the perspex cover is due to be cleaned in December.

It's open again to store your bikes and scooters! Please remember the shed is not locked so please do not leave your bikes in overnight. Thank you.

Parents: Do you have anything interesting that could go into our school newsletter? Send info via e mail to Mrs Statham ~ dsstgeorges@gmailcom

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