



# St George's RC Primary School

## Reception Newsletter

### Spring 1 2024

Welcome back to the spring term.

We hope you had a lovely break with your families.

We would like to thank you for all your support during the last half term and we look forward to working with you during this Spring term.

Mrs Ellington, Miss Murray, Mrs Oliver and Mrs Iggulden

#### Weekly Overview

Our gate will open at 8.40 and Children come in and start their learning.

The children need their reading book and reading record in school everyday. We will change books every Thursday.

Reception PE is on Thursday and your child will need to wear their PE kit to school on a Thursday.

This half term finishes on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February and we are back to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. Please note Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February is an inset day.

Next Stay and Play Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 2.15pm.

#### Key Dates

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January is individual school photo day.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January is Christianity Week.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February is Children's mental health week.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February is e-safety day in school.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February is a teacher training day - school closed to children.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March is World book day and children can dress up as their favourite book character (no masks please). **Reception Class Liturgy - parents/carers welcome**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening.

#### What are we learning?

In RE this half term, we will learn about celebrations in church and the children will learn about the presentation of Jesus at the temple.

Later in the term, the children will learn about gathering in church.

Literacy – We will continue to practise using our phonic knowledge in our writing to begin to write small captions.

Phonics – We will be learning to read and write words using the new phase 3 phonic sounds. These sounds include two letters, which make one sound. We will be focusing on the sounds –ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, igh, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, er

Maths – We will be learning to recognise numbers up to 20. We will explore numbers up to 10. We will find one more, one less, and solve addition and subtraction problems.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – In RSE we will be learning about role models and being a kind person.

PE – The children will be practising their gymnastic skills.

Computing – We will be discussing e-safety on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Begin to use our phonics knowledge to use the keyboard on a computer.

Fine motor – Threading

Drawing club – The children will practise their vocabulary and create their own magic with new stories and animations this half term.

#### Communication

In addition to the school Twitter, Facebook, emails from the office and information on our school website, we also use Tapestry to communicate any updates on the news page.

**Please keep checking Tapestry for news and communication updates.**