



Newsletter No: 9

26th January 2024

Weekly Merit Certificates

Butterflies: Ayva Fireflies: Martha & Bobbie
Dragonflies: Max & Pippa Ladybirds: Frankie & Leo

Dear Families,

Throughout the school year we take part in a range of National days/ Weeks. All our schools will be participating in Children's Mental Health Week (from 5th February) and Internet Safety Day (6th February). We will share more information about this with you in the coming weeks. The House Teams are also gathering suggestions from the children of things they would like to focus on.

Next week some of our classes will be taking part in NSPCC number day on Friday 2nd February.

How parents can help with maths at home

1

Be positive about maths. Try not to say things like "I can't do maths" or "I hated maths at school" – your child may start to think like that themselves.

2

Point out the maths in everyday life. Include your child in activities involving numbers and measuring, such as shopping, cooking and travelling.

3

Praise your child for effort rather than for being "clever". This shows them that by working hard, they can always improve.

Please do let us know if you would like further ideas to support your child with Maths at home.

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Next week....

Tuesday ~ Dragonflies Swimming

Thursday ~ Young Voices Trip to London.

Norfolk Tapping House Rudolph Run

Thank you to everyone who helped raise money for Norfolk Tapping House with the Rudolph Run. We have raised **£829.50** for this local charity.

A special mention to Olivia in Year 6 who raised £375.00 – Well Done Olivia!



Chinese New Year Lunch

Our Chinese New Year Lunch is on Thursday 8th February.

The letter and menu for this event was sent home with your child on the 18th January.

The deadline to book your child in for this lunch is 3.30pm

Tuesday 30th January, there will be no other lunch option available on this day. Thank you



Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip

Ladybirds ~ Please continue making payments via ParentPay for this trip if you have not yet paid in full. If you have any questions or issues about payments, please contact the school office.

A letter about an upcoming information meeting and a medical/dietary information form has been given to your child to bring home today.

WELCOME



Staffing

We would like to welcome Miss Sophie De-Keyzer to St Germans Academy. Sophie is working with Mrs Lansdell-Hill and Miss McLean in the Butterflies and Caterpillars Class.

Young Voices Trip – Thursday 1st February

The Young Voices Trip is fast approaching, and an information letter went home with your child this week. Please can you check your ParentPay account and make any remaining payments for the trip.

Any questions or to have another copy of the information letter printed please contact the school office. Thank you



Mobile Phones and Smartwatches

Please can we remind parents that children should only bring their mobile phones into school **if absolutely necessary**. They must be turned off and handed into the school office as your child comes into school and collected at the end of the school day. Children should also not be wearing smartwatches (for example Apple watch) in school, this is for safeguarding and security reasons. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Dragonflies Swimming this term on Tuesday mornings.

January 2024

Wed 31st ~ Deadline for Year 6 Children to hand in their completed Bikeability Forms

February

Thurs 1st ~ Young Voice Choir Trip to Wembley

Mon 5th ~ Chinese New Year Special Lunch

Mon 12th ~ WNSSP Tag Rugby (Event postponed from Autumn Term)

Wed 14th ~ Friends of the School Valentine Disco

Thurs 15th ~ Residential Information Meeting 3.30pm at St Germans
or 5.30pm at Wimbotsham

Fri 16th ~ Break up for Half Term

Mon 26th ~ Back to School

March

Thurs 7th ~ World Book Day Lunch

Thurs 14th ~ WNSSP Netball Bee Festival for Selected Year 3 and 4 children

Fri 22nd ~ FOS Easter Event – more information to follow.

Mon 25th to Wed 27th ~ Residential Trip for Ladybirds Class

Thurs 28th ~ Break up for Easter Holidays

April

Mon 15th ~ Back to School

Thurs 25th ~ Pret A Portrait ~ Class Photographs

Mon 29th ~ WNSSP Tri-golf Festival for selected Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4 children

May

Wed 1st ~ Nursing Team to see Reception Children and Year 6

Fri 3rd ~ Crucial Crew Event for Year 6

Tues 7th ~ WNSSP Girls Tag Rugby Event – Information to follow.

Tues 14th ~ Dragonflies Trip – Information to follow.