



St Saviour's

Church of England Primary School

SPRING 2 WEEK 2

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think – Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, our children in Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 took part in some exciting workshops to build their confidence and spark their curiosity as part of their Young Transformers projects this term.

STREET DANCE WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, Y5 and Y6 took part in a street dance workshop; challenging themselves with complex choreography and performing to an audience to develop their confidence.



SAFARI PETE

On Monday, Safari Pete visited to give children in Y2, Y3 and Y4 the chance to get up close to some exotic creatures. It definitely sparked children's curiosity as they asked him lots of interesting and thoughtful questions about the creatures he had brought with him. The school was buzzing with children discussing the animals that they had observed and excited to share new facts.



RECEPTION STICK HUNT TRIP

This week, the reception children were delighted to take a trip to the local park and nature area to collect sticks for their art lesson. They collected sticks of all shapes and sizes to create their very own stick people! Whilst on our stick walk, they looked carefully at the trees around them and classified them as either evergreen or deciduous.

Linking to our Collective Worship theme this week on the golden rule, I would like to share with you how this is promoted in other world religions alongside Christianity.

'What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbour' - Judaism. 'Treat not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful' Buddhism 'Not one of you truly believes until you wish for other what you wish for yourself' - Islam.

Yours faithfully,
Miss Cherry

FAITH. FORGIVENESS. TRUTH. LOVE. RESPECT. TENACITY. SERENITY



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week in collective worship our theme was golden rules. We looked at a Bible verse that Christians consider the 'golden' rule, "Do to others, as you wish others would do to you." Luke 6:3.

This golden rule has also been used in many religions, cultures and societies. It is called the 'golden' rule because there is value in having this kind of respect and caring attitude for one another. We discussed how golden rules are often a set of agreements that guide our behaviour towards others.

They teach us moral values and help us abide by moral values. Moral values are behaviours such as being kind, honest, listening well, working hard or looking after property. They help people to have a clear picture of what good, respectful behaviour looks like.

At St Saviour's, we have our school values to help us with this. To help us further, each class wrote their own set of golden rules during in class collective worship this week. What golden rules did your class choose? What rules did you think you should have in your class for a happy school day?

What lessons can we take from this golden rule? How can we show our school values in our behaviour to others?

We also had collective worship led by the worship council this week. They taught us some actions for a new song we have been learning. They taught everyone how to say 'everyday', 'beautiful' and 'wonderful' in British Sign Language and we then used these signs when singing the chorus of the song 'everyday is so beautiful'. Thank you worship council! Can you remember the signs? Can you teach them to someone at home?

VALUES CARDS COLLECTORS

Well done to **Kariah, Zayd & Ismahil**

who have been excellent role models and have collected values cards for consistently showing the school values.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Reception: Saraiyah & Reign



Year 1: Oladipo & Isabelle



Year 2: Kiara & Reuben



Year 3: Clay & Oscar



Year 4: Kyomi & Daria-Maria



Year 5: Kiara & Nevaeh



Year 6: Lois & Moises



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PROGRESS CUP WINNERS

A huge well done to **Felix, Brooklyn & Amara** who are this week's Progress Cup winners!



EYFS

Felix Reception



KS1

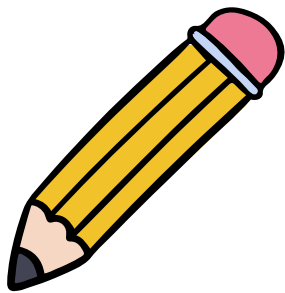
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KS2

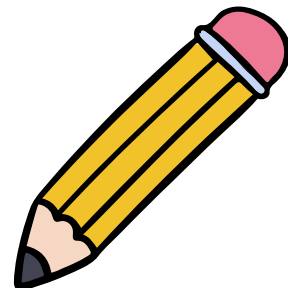
Amara Year 5

PRESENTATION AWARDS



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Luki Year 4



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ATTENDANCE AWARDS



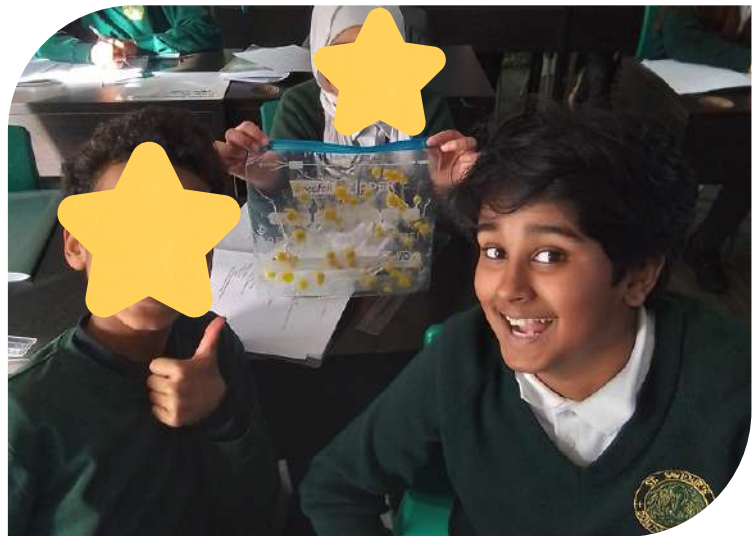
Well done to
Y2 David Attenborough 98.77%
&
Y4 Copernicus 100%



who have won the attendance mascots
this week.

YEAR 6 CLASS CORNER

This week, Year 6 have been learning about biology in Science. The exact focus of the lessons are based around cells and how they are the building blocks of life. As part of this topic, the children built models of cells using bags (for a cell membrane), plasticine (for DNA) and shampoo (for cytoplasm).



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SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is really important that all of our children wear the correct uniform; it helps them to be proud of their school and creates a sense of identity and belonging within a community.

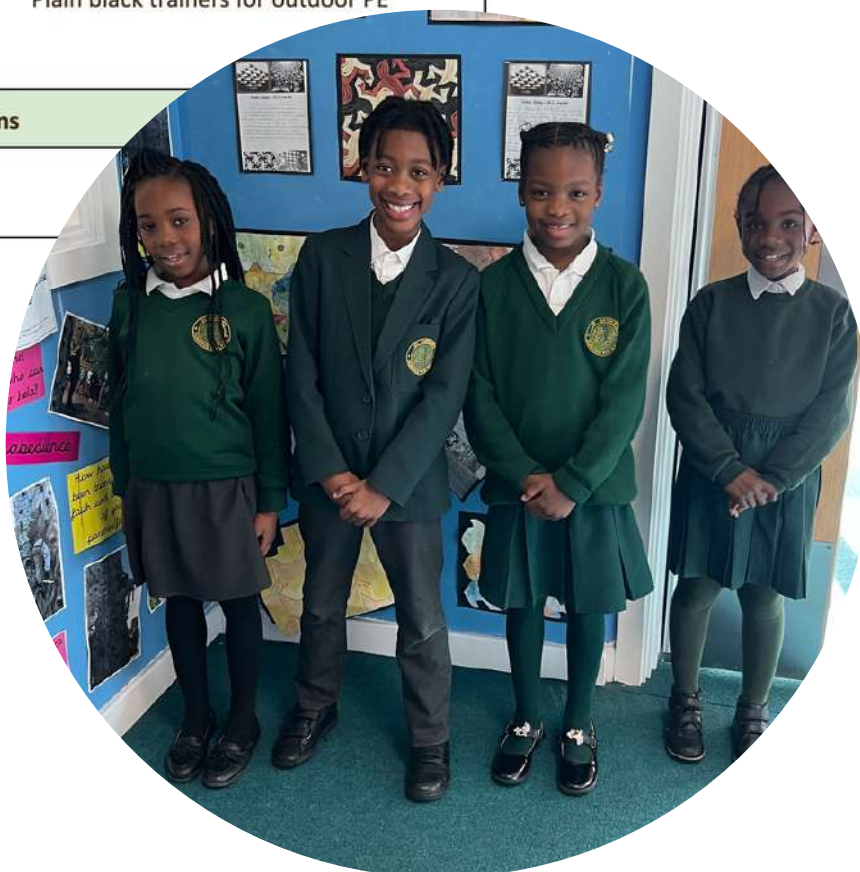
Please ensure that your children are coming to school wearing the correct uniform each day and have the correct kit in school for PE.

We do not have the storage space in our classrooms for rucksacks and they become a health and safety hazard when they do not fit on the class pegs or fall on the floor. Our school book bags are the perfect size for reading books, reading records, a break time snack and a water bottle and I kindly ask that these are the bags that your child brings to school.

School Uniform	
Winter	Summer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Green jumper/ green school cardigan with St Saviour's logo. - Grey trousers, grey/green skirt, grey/green pinafore (No tracksuit bottoms or leggings) - Plain white shirt and school tie or plain white polo shirt - Plain black shoes - no trainers or heels - Coat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As winter uniform - Grey shorts or culottes - School style green check/gingham dress - Sensible sandals in black or white (No flip flops, sliders or trainers) - Any sensible cap or sun hat
School PE Kit	
Winter	Summer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plain white t-shirt - Green shorts - Black plimsolls - Plain black trainers for outdoor PE - Plain black jogging bottoms and plain black sweatshirt 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plain white t-shirt - Green shorts - Black plimsolls - Plain black trainers for outdoor PE
Other Items	
St Saviour's Book Bag St Saviour's PE Bag/ Plain colour drawstring bag	

We have a number of unlabelled school jumpers and cardigans in a range of sizes that have been washed and are available free of charge.

Please contact the school office who will be able to help you.



Fun Family Science

International Polar Bear Day

International Polar Bear Day is an annual event on the 27th February to coincide with the time period when polar bear mothers and cubs are sleeping in their dens, and to raise awareness about the conservation status of the polar bear.

Have you ever wondered how polar bears stay warm in winter in below freezing temperatures?

Instructions:

1. Put the fat in one ziplock bag.
2. Place one hand in the bag with the fat and the other hand in the empty bag. (Remember to wear gloves.)
3. Put both hands in the ice water.

What do you notice?

What you need:
A bowl of ice water.
latex gloves
2 x ziplock bags
shortening or lard

Safety: do not keep the 'unprotected' hand in the water for too long.

What's the science?

WHAT IS AN INSULATOR?

An insulator is something that doesn't easily allow heat to escape. In this investigation the lard is insulating your hand from the icy cold water.

HOW DO POLAR BEARS STAY WARM IN WINTER?

Some animals hibernate, they build a den or burrow and sleep for the colder months. Their body temperature drops and heart rate slows down to conserve energy.

Other animals migrate for winter, this means they move to a warmer climate where food is available.

Some animals adapt to the change in climate. They grow warmer fur or feathers or grow a layer of insulating fat. The fat also acts as a food store for when food is scarce.



SCIENCE WEEK 2024

We have a very exciting event ahead of us: Science Week 2024 and the theme for this year is Time!

'Time is key to so many discoveries in science, technology, engineering and maths. Evolution looks at how plants and animals changed over a long period of time, the Earth's movements show us why we have seasons and different time zones. In fact, the study of all the celestial bodies in our universe are centred around time; we talk about stars and planets being light years away - the distance light travels over a year.'

During Science week, we aim to develop pupils' science capital with a range of activities.

1. Workshop and visitors

Pupils will experience a fun science workshop by Silly Science and they will be visited by a STEM ambassador who will talk to children about the theme, Time. Look out for photos in the newsletter!

2. Science Symposium - Thursday 21st March 2024

We would like to invite all parents and carers to join the children on Thursday 21st March 2024 from 3.45pm - 5pm for our big science event. During the event, pupils and their parents and carers can take part in lots of hands-on science activities and be challenged to try easy experiments at home.

For the event, all children in our school are invited to enter the Science Symposium competition by creating a science project at home. These projects will be showcased in the school hall for all to view during. Winners will be chosen from each key stage and awarded a prize. The deadline for the projects is on Monday 18th March 2024.

3. Dress-up day - Friday 22nd March 2024

Pupils can come to school dressed as something to do with science! During a special assembly, pupils will show their outfits and some pupils will be invited to talk about their costumes. Please support them in choosing and researching their concepts. The main purpose of the activity is to develop pupils' science capital, meaning they can learn something different and interesting which they can share with everyone. Therefore, we would like to discourage pupils from dressing up as scientists unless they are researching a specific field or career in science.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE THE LETTER SENT YESTERDAY FROM MRS MORRIS.

PARENT CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Y4 MA Forest School Last day of Spring Term Finish at 3.30pm	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
February Half Term - 12th Feb to 16th Feb						
19	20 Story Explorer Drama Workshop - Rec & Y1	21 School Nurse Drop - 9.30am - 10.30am	22	23 Y5 MC Forest School	24	25
26 Safari Pete - Y1 to Y4	27	28 Street Dance Workshop	29			

MARCH 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1 Y5 SH Forest School	2	3
4	5	6	7 World Book Day Dress up as your favourite character	8 Y2 EP Forest School	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Y2 DA Forest School End of Term Day (School Closes) Please come along!	16	17
18	19	20 School Nurse Drop - 9.30am - 10.30am	21 Book Fair Science Fair	22 Y3 RP Forest School Science Dress Up Day Book Fair	23	24
25 Book Fair	26 Book Fair Parents Evening	27 Parents Evening Book Fair	28 Book Fair End of Term Finish at 2.00pm	29	30	31
Easter Half Term - 29th Mar to 12th Apr						

APRIL 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Easter Half Term - 29th Mar to 12th Apr						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Y3 AE Forest School	20	21
22	23	24 School Nurse Drop - 9.30am - 10.30am	25	26 Y4 COP Forest School	27	28
29	30					



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Term Dates

2023– 2024



Autumn Term 2023

First Half (35 Days)

INSET – Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th September 2023

Start – Thursday 7th September 2023

End – Friday 20th October 2023

Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023- Friday 27th October 2023

Second Half (38 Days)

Start – Monday 30th October 2023

End – Wednesday 20th December 2023

Holidays: Thursday 21st December 2023 to Friday 5th January 2024

Spring Term 2024

First Half (25 Days)

INSET – Monday 8th January 2024

Start – Tuesday 9th January 2024

End - Friday 9th February 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024

Second Half (29 Days)

Start - Monday 19th February 2024

End – Thursday 28th March 2024

Holidays: Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term 2024

First Half (29 Days)

Start – Monday 15th April 2024

End - Friday 24th May 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 27th May 2024 (during Half Term)

Second Half (38 Days)

Start - Monday 3rd June 2024

End – Wednesday 24th July 2024

This calendar gives a total of 194 (190 pupil days plus 4 inset days – Staff to work twilight sessions to make up 1 inset day).