



SUCCESS THROUGH WORK AND PLAY



St Giles' Primary School Weekly Bulletin

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A message from the Head

A warm welcome back to all our children and families at St. Giles'. Hopefully you all managed to get away, relaxed and had the chance to spend some time with your loved ones. The staff have been busy getting the school ready throughout the summer. They all deserve a big thank you for the time and effort they have all put in.

I also would also like to take the opportunity to welcome our new staff: Mrs. Shelbourn, Miss Bell and Mrs Reader. We are very lucky to have such experienced staff working at our school who are passionate about teaching. Please say hello and introduce yourselves when you see them.

I really feel that our school is a special place. It's difficult to quite put my finger on it, but whenever people walk into the school they always comment on what a lovely feel it has. As the new Head at St Giles', I am keen to make the school the best it can be. That means keeping the fantastic pastoral care the school is well known for, but also striving towards developing resilient children who have a strong sense of independence, compassion and social responsibility.

I want the school to be a place where children truly want to be in, knowing they are going to learn something incredible.

As parents, I am very keen to get you involved in working towards this vision. We are looking to provide more opportunities for you to come in to school. It could be that you are happy to hear readers or you may have a skill or a hobby that you want to share. If you are interested in volunteering to help out in school, please let the office know. There is a Growth Mindset presentation and Parent's Forum next week – it would be great to see lots of people there.

Have a lovely start to the term.

Kind regards
Mr Smithard

Upcoming events

(for a more detailed list visit the school website; <http://stgiles.herts.sch.uk/news-dates/diary-dates/>)

Mon 11th Sept – clubs start

Thurs 14th Sept – Heads presentation on Mindset and Parent's Forum. 9am and 7pm

Weds 20th Sep – Individual and sibling photographs

Fri 29th Sep – Non-uniform day in aid of Sepsis Awareness

Mon 25th – please join us for Church Worship with Reverend Karen.

Effort Certificate Winners

Many congratulations to the following children for their efforts this week:

Class 1 - Harley Knight

Class 2 - Saffron Mae Knight & Josh Evans

Class 3 - Phoebe Young-Corbett & William Cullen

Class 4 - Milly Stewart & Lui Ljubovic

Attendance

There is a strong link between attendance and good outcomes for children at school. Help us reach our target of 98% of children in school.

Class 1 - 93.3%

Class 2 - 100%

Class 3 - 100%

Class 4 - 99.3%

Our current overall attendance is: **98.15%**