



LEARN, GROW &amp; FLOURISH

St Giles' C of E  
Primary School

# Weekly Bulletin

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## A message from the Head

It is great to see that the sun has finally started to shine again and the summer is getting under way.

This week saw the Key Stage 2 children take part in the Oakmere marathon. We also held our own version for the younger ones here at school. Mrs Johnson told me how proud she was as they all crossed the line, working hard and trying their best to beat their previous times. I think that the work that has been put in to develop school sport is really starting to pay off – we took all three of the top places in the Year 3 and 4 run, with Marios winning, followed by Beau in second and then Logan taking third spot. Milly managed to pick up third place in the Year 5 and 6 girls event, as well as Anderson coming in a creditable 4<sup>th</sup> place in the boys. That's pretty good going for a small school in amongst the bigger Potters Bar schools. Very well done! Thank you to all the staff and parents who supported the children during the run, as well as marshalling.

Next week is half term, but soon after that we have the Potters Bar Carnival. As in previous years, I would encourage as many children (and parents) as possible to join the walk with us. The theme this year is 'celebrating our public services'. The Friends will be running a children's and adult tombola, and would very much appreciate support from anyone who can give up a bit of time. Please contact the office if you are available to help.

Have a lovely half term break!

## Our monthly Christian value is:

### *Perseverance*

*Emphasis upon endurance and perseverance is common in the New Testament where it is linked with patience and suffering. Perseverance is character building and is characterised by love (Romans 5:3-4). It is linked with self-control, godliness (2 Peter 1:6) and steadfastness.*

## Upcoming events

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

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> to Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May – Half Term

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> to Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Jun – C4 Bikeability week

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Arsenal Girls Football Festival

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Jun – Girls Football Tournament @ Wroxham School

Thu 6<sup>th</sup> Jun – Friends Film Night

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> June – The Friends 'bring a bottle' dress down day

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Jun – Potters Bar Carnival

Thu 13<sup>th</sup> Jun – Class Photo Day

Thu 20<sup>th</sup> Jun – Special Assembly by the Railway Association

Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Jun – Summer Fayre

## Attendance

As a thank you, this term we have decided to enter families; whose children have had a 98% attendance record or above for the year into a prize draw to win a hamper full of goodies.

**Blanche – 92%**

**St Alban – 88%**

**Frowyke – 91%**

**Cecil – 98%**

**Average attendance this week: 92.27%**

**Overall attendance for the year: 95.6%**

## Punctuality

Being on time for school sets a good example for your children as they get older, particularly as they move into Secondary School, University and the workplace.

**Blanche – 2**

**St Alban – 3**

**Frowyke – 1**

**Cecil – 4**

**Total late occurrences this week: 10**

**Total late occurrences last week: 16**

## Effort Certificate Winners

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

**Blanche – Dylan Jeetun**

**St Alban – Kian Hodsdon & Ava Quinn + all of Year 2 for completion of their SAT's**

**Frowyke – Matthew Thrussell & Josh Larcombe**

**Cecil – Phoebe Colbridge & Ayla Weston**



**Hot Chocolate Friday –** this is awarded to children who always go over and above expectation in their behaviour

**Has been cancelled this week and will resume after half term.**

## What are our children doing next week?

### Reception - Blanche

*Please take a look at the reception newsletter, where you can find all the information you need.  
This is sent out by separate email.*

### Year 1 & 2 - St Alban

*In English,* we shall be using the text "Traction Man" by Mini Grey. The children will be looking at how to write narrative and how a writer uses different structures and presentational features to create effect. Year 1 will also be practising their 'special friends', blending and segmenting words ready for their phonics test which takes place week commencing 10th June. Any practice over half term would be a great help. I shall send home some information today.

In Maths, we shall be concentrating on measure. This will include work on capacity, weight, length and reading simple scales.

We shall also continue to work on the four number operations and increasing mental agility.

Our topic work will have a double focus - there will be a geography element about the UK and a history element about St Alban.

### Year 3 & 4 - Frowyke

*After half term, we will begin our new literary unit, which is Haiku's.*

*In Maths, we will be focusing on the unit of time, and our new topic will be teeth and digestion.*

### Year 5 & 6 – Cecil

*After half term in Cecil Class, we will be starting our new topic, learning about the Shang Dynasty in China and the different systems in our body, such as the circulatory and digestive systems.*

*Please support your children with their homework to develop their understanding of these topics.*

*In Maths, year 6 will be continuing with their work on coordinates and year 5 will be learning about area and perimeter.*

*In English, we will be learning about explanation texts and linking this to our learning about the circulatory system.*

### PE Corner

*The first Monday after half term, we have a group of girls from Frowyke attending an Arsenal Football Festival. Then two days later we have a girls Football Tournament at Wroxham School for players in Cecil. Lastly, we have Bikeability training for some Cecil children starting 03/06.*

### P4C Question of the Week

**What can we do to keep our minds healthy?**

**Why is it important to talk about our feelings?**