



SUCCESS THROUGH WORK AND PLAY



St Giles' C of E  
Primary School

# Weekly Bulletin

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September '18

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## A message from the Head

Thank you to everyone who attended the Harvest Festival assembly this afternoon. I am sure that you'll agree that the children sang beautifully. Thank you to Miss Bell for putting the programme together, and to the staff and pupils for the effort that went in to making it a really successful event. It was lovely to see the children's banners and listen to the songs they had been working on. All of the funds raised will go to the Bishops Appeal, 'Give peas a chance'. For more information you can visit [www.harvestappeal.org](http://www.harvestappeal.org)

Just a friendly reminder to remember that you need to book an appointment for parents evening next month. Appointments are filling up fast. It's really important that as many of you attend as possible, so that the teachers can update you on what your children are doing in class, what we are doing to help them, and what you can do to support them more at home. Please call or visit the office to book an appointment slot.

I have been informed that some of the children in our school are regularly forgetting their PE kits. Please ensure that the children have their PE kit in school every day so that they can take part in sporting activities.

Lastly, tickets are selling like hotcakes for the Circus next week. Please come and support us by bringing lots and friends and family to the event. It's an opportunity for children to see live acts they wouldn't otherwise have the opportunity to see.  
Kind regards, Mr Smithard.

## P4C theme of the week:

This term we are thinking more deeply about ourselves and our place in the world. Please talk to your children about the topic at home ready for Monday.

### What defines you? What makes you, you?

## Upcoming events

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

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct – Cecil Class to St Albans Cathedral for Harvest Service. Parents to collect from the cathedral @ 3:15pm.

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct @ 7pm – Parents meeting for attendees of France/ Belgium trip

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 4:30pm – Happy's Circus. The most exciting event in years!!!!

Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Oct – Cecil Class Hockey tournament. Children may return a little late.

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Oct – Parent Teacher consultations. School closes at 2pm and appointments run up until 7pm.

Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Flu vaccinations for Reception to Yr 5.

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Oct – Yr 6 height & weight checks

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> to Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Oct - Trip to Ypres

## The Christian Value we are focusing on at the moment is:

### Joy

Joy is a quality of being rather than just an emotion and so although it is related to being happy it is more fundamental and can be sustained when happiness is (hopefully temporarily) diminished. Joy also comes from participating in God's ministry in the world and from seeing lives being positively changed and relationships enhanced.

Do you have a query for the governing body, or a question for the Head Teacher? You can contact either on:

[head@stgiles.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@stgiles.herts.sch.uk) and  
[governors@stgiles.herts.sch.uk](mailto:governors@stgiles.herts.sch.uk)

## Attendance

It's been a good start to the year. We are looking to improve our attendance and achieve 97% for 2018/19.

**Blanche - 96%**

**St Alban - 99%**

**Frowyke - 99%**

**Cecil - 95%**

Our current overall attendance is: 97.36%

## Effort Certificate Winners

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

Blanche - Isla Mizelas-Hall

St Alban - Katerina Solovieva & Elyas Lemar

Frowyke - Lily Bright & Evie Clarke-Stewart

Cecil - Ellie Thrussell & Oliver Baker



## Hot chocolate Friday

Oliver Baker, Milly Clarke-Stewart, Logan Baker, Ava Quinn

## 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 St Alban Class, we will be looking at addition in Year 1, using number lines to support us. Year 2 are looking at sequences and patterns, counting forward and back in steps of 1, 2 or more and 10.

For English, Year 2 will be looking at adjectives and using them to describe characters. Year 1 will be writing simple sentences.

For our materials work, we will be looking at what happens when materials are manipulated e.g. twisted or bent.

### Year 3 & 4 - Frowyke

In Literacy, we will be punctuating direct speech and rounding off our news report by planning, writing, editing and redrafting our own report.

In Maths, we will be looking at the language and concepts of addition and subtraction.

In RE, we will be looking at signs and symbols of the Christian faith, focusing on baptism and marriage.

The Extreme Earth topic will focus on tsunamis

### Year 5 & 6 - Cecil

Next week in Cecil Class, we will be moving on to learning about narratives and what makes a good story, as well as building vocabulary.

In Maths, year 6 will be continuing to develop their understanding of multiplication, and year 5 are moving on to addition and subtraction.

In Let's Explore, we will begin to learn about different countries around the world.

### Artist in focus



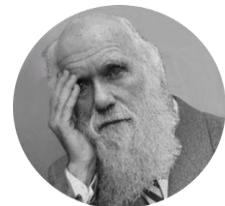
Gustav Klimt (1862-1918)

### Musician in focus



Aretha Franklin (1942 - 2018)

### Scientist in focus



Charles Darwin (1809 - 1882)