

St Giles' and St George's C of E Academy

Aspire Believe Achieve

7th March 2023



Diary Dates

Wednesday 8 th March 2:00pm St Giles Church	Year 3/4 HG GLOW worship Parents welcome
Wednesday 8 th March 2:00pm	Year 2 SHINE afternoon Parents welcome
Monday 13 th March 5:00pm – 9:00pm	Stokes Gotta Sing
Wednesday 15 th March 2:15pm	Nursery Mother's Day event
Tuesday 21 st March	Recorder Festival
Tuesday 21 st March 2:00pm	Year 3/4 SHINE afternoon Parents welcome
Wednesday 22 nd March 2:00pm St Giles Church	Year 2 HB/SH GLOW Worship Parents welcome
Wednesday 22 nd March	Reception visit to Amerton Farm
Thursday 23 rd March 2:00pm – 6:30pm	Parents evening- all year groups
Tuesday 28 th March 9am	Parent workshop- Behaviour support
Monday 3rd- Friday 14th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 1st May	May Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 nd May	Year 3/4 Stepping Out Practice
Friday 5 th May	Academy Photography – Class photographs and graduation
Monday 8th May	King's Coronation Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 th May- Friday 12 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Thursday 18 th – Friday 19 th May	Year 4 Camping overnight
Tuesday 23 rd May	Year 4 INSPIRE event Lichfield Cathedral
Monday 29th May - Monday 5th June Inclusive	May Half Term
Wednesday 14 th June	Pop UK
Thursday 15 th June- Friday 16 th June	Year 5 Residential to Dovedale
Monday 12 th June- Friday 7 th July	Swimming Pool on site

School Swimming

This year we have been struggling with the availability of the swimming venue which is currently undergoing repairs. This looks set to continue so the school has organised for an on-site swimming pool to be available for the children to use at the end of June. This will give all year groups a fabulous opportunity to take part in swimming lessons on site something which I know all the children are very much looking forward to.

Water Aid

A huge thank you to all those parents and children who supported our recent Water Aid fundraising day the school raised over £250 to support families in developing countries to access fresh water every day.



Food and Clothing Bank

The current cost of living crisis is affecting all of our school community and we are seeing an increasing number of families who find themselves unable to afford the basics to meet their family's needs. If you are struggling, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Pointon who will ensure that you are accessing all the local support. To support our families directly we have a foodbank and a clothes bank. If you have any food or clothes that you feel able to donate, please drop them off in our front entrance hall and we will ensure that they go to a good home.

Future Strike Action

The National Education Union are planning two final days of strike action on the 15th and 16th March. We do understand the frustration this brings for parents and we will endeavour to give as much notice as possible regarding the plans for these days.

School Netball Team

A huge well done to our netball team, they are currently playing well in their league games against a wide range of primary schools. All the children have shown determination and skill both during practice and in the games themselves.



Parents Evening

Our Spring Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 23rd March and appointments are available to book by visiting the following website <https://stgilesstgeorgescofe.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. We strongly encourage parents to make an appointment so we can share the progress of your child so far this year.



Home Learning

In order to support children with their home learning we have a number of Apps which they are able to access at home. Children from Year 1 upwards have access to the EdShed app which supports them with their spelling and children in Year 2 upwards have access to the Times Tables Rockstars App. Both apps are available to download from your App store and the children's log in details can be found in their reading diaries. All children would also benefit from using the White Rose Maths App which does not require a log in. Nothing is a substitute for daily reading with an adult, but we know the children really enjoy using these Apps. We also have clubs to support these areas.

Club	Time
Ed Shed Year 3-6	Thursday 3:15-4:00
Ed Shed Year 1-2	Tuesday 3:15-4:00
Times Tables Rockstars Year 2-6	Thursday 8:15
Magic Maths Year 1	Monday 3:15-4:00

