

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

Aspire Believe Achieve
Thursday 21st September



Diary Dates

Monday 25 th September	Loudmouth workshop Year 5 and 6
Wednesday 27 th September	Year 5 (both classes) GLOW service
Thursday 28 th September	Parents Meetings
Sunday 8 th October	Harvest All Age Worship at St Giles'
Monday 9 th October	Academy Photography - Individual and siblings
Tuesday 17 th October	Reception - Year 6 Flu immunisation
Wednesday 18 th October	Year 6 ES GLOW service
Friday 27 th October	INSET Day – school closed to children
Monday 30 th Oct– Friday 4 th November	Half term holiday
Monday 6 th November	Return to school
Monday 6 th – Friday 10 th Nov	RSC week in school
Wednesday 15 th November	Year 5/6 JW GLOW service
Wednesday 15 th November	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 5 th – Tuesday 12 th December	Book Fayre in school
Sunday 10 th December	Christmas All Age Worship at St Giles'
Monday 11 th December	KS2 Carol Service at St Georges'
Tuesday 12 th December	Festival of Music at Victoria Hall
Wednesday 13 th December	Year 3/2 LG GLOW service
Thursday 14 th December	KS2 to watch The Nutcracker at The New Vic Theatre
Tuesday 19 th and Wednesday 20 th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Productions
Friday 22 nd December	School finishes for Christmas

Homework

Homework will be set every week (on a Friday) via Class dojo with a focus on either English or Maths. You can return the homework by the following Friday via Class dojo so we can see it.

If you require paper copies of the homework, please just let us know.

For any KS2 children struggling to complete their homework, there is a club at lunchtime on a Friday where they can complete it in school.

We also encourage you to read at home with your child at least 3 times a week and practise their spellings and times tables with them on a regular basis.



Transition to high school

If your child is in Year 6 then you will need to apply for their high school place before October 31st via the Staffordshire County Council's Citizen portal. TO help you decide on the best setting for your child, the local high schools have open evenings over the next few weeks – keep an eye out on their websites and our facebook page.



COVID

We are seeing a rise in COVID cases following our return back to school. The main symptom in children is a high temperature. There are no legal requirements to test but Government guidance does ask for children to remain at home for three days following positive test as this is when they are most contagious.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-symptoms-and-what-to-do/>

Autumn term clubs

Day and Time	Key Stage	Club	Room	Staff member	Collection
Monday (After school)	KS1	Phonics Club	EP Classroom	Miss Phillips	
Monday (After school)	KS1	Music Club	AT Classroom	Mrs Gibson & Mrs Leech	
Monday (After school)	KS2	What happens next?	LG Classroom	Mrs Ryder & Mrs Smith	
Tuesday (After school)	KS1	Bible Adventure Club	HS Classroom	Mrs Mann & Mrs Carter	HS Door
Tuesday (12:15pm - 12:45pm)	KS1 & KS2	Woodwind Club	HB/SH Classroom	Mrs Booth & Mrs Gray	
Tuesday (After school))	KS2	Recorder Club	HB/SH Classroom	Mrs Jackson & Mrs Fry	
Tuesday (After school)	KS2	Cross Country	The Hive	Mr Woods	The Hive Door
Tuesday (After school)	KS2	Netball Club	NJ Classroom	Mrs Barker & Mrs Pointon	Y5/6 Door
Tuesday (8:15am)	KS2	Edshed	NJ Classroom	Mrs Jones & Miss finn	
Wednesday (After school)	KS1	Eco Club	HS Classroom	Miss Snape & Mrs Huckfield	HS Door
Wednesday (After school)	KS2	TT Rockstars	ES Classroom	Mrs Sale & Miss Tuck	
Wednesday (After school)	KS2	Football Club	LG Classroom	Mr Greathead	
Thursday (12:15pm - 12:45pm)	KS1 & Wellbeing ambassadors	Wellbeing Club	Library	Miss Thurley & Mrs Wright	
Thursday (12:30pm - 1:00pm)	KS2	Singing Squad	HB/SH Classroom	Mrs Huckfield & Mrs Booth	
Friday (12:30pm - 1:00pm)	KS2	Homework Club	LG Classroom	Miss Barclay	



Earn potential prizes while staying active and healthy 🍀❤️

Full details and maps for [J2 Active - Newcastle Borough Council's #BeatTheStreet2023](#) competition can be found on the website below or are available in school – just speak to your class teacher.

<https://beatthestreet.me/newcastle-under-lyme/>

Remember, two boxes need to be beeped within an hour of each other for points to be counted! Good luck everyone 🍀 and thank you for supporting #TeamStGGs 🙌

Let's get reading!

If you are looking for new books for your child to read at home then these two websites are perfect. One gives you recommendations of new books that have been released for each age range and the other shows you books that are like ones your child might already be reading. This is a great way to encourage your child to read more widely and try new authors.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/best-new-books/>

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/branching-out/>

