

# St Giles' & St George's C of E Academy

As God's children we aspire, believe and achieve to be the very best we can be

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## Curious and Active

This half term, our Gospel values are 'Curious and Active' and our children have been living out those values in abundance.



Our Y5 & 6 football team competed in the Northern regional finals of the Utilita Cup at the start of March and they won, meaning they now go to the national finals and play at Wembley Stadium, in May. Our netball team also came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the local school's tournament which is a super achievement for them!



Our Choir recently took part in Stoke's Gotta Sing and our recorder group performed at Victoria Hall at the recorder festival. Both groups of children represented the school wonderfully.



Our Year 5 and 6 children recently took part in workshops with the NSPCC looking at their recent campaign, 'Speak out, stay safe'. The children explored their rights and who can support them if they were to need help.



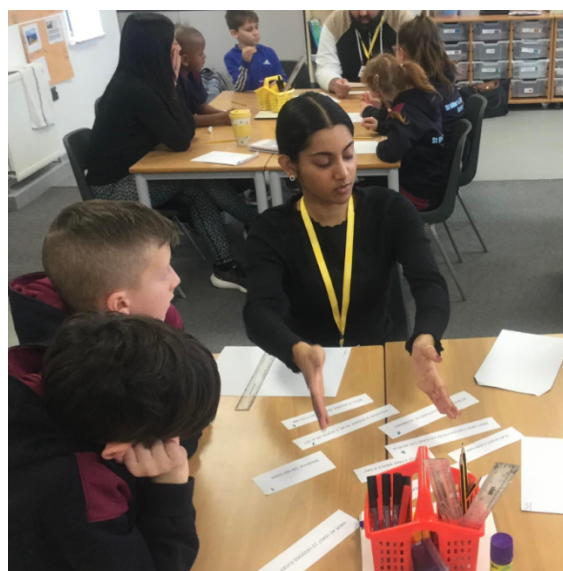
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We recently had the absolute pleasure of hosting the fantastic and renowned variety performer, Andrew Van Buren, from The Philip Astley Projects 🎪



Mr. Van Buren told our pupils about the history and wonder of Newcastle-under-Lyme's son, Philip Astley: the father of the modern-day circus as we know it 🎪🎪🎪 As well as performing some of his own exciting tricks which the children loved! It was great for the children to learn of some unusual history of our local area.



Students from Keele University came to talk to Year 5 pupils about their education and life at university. Year 5 pupils asked lots of questions about studies and routes into further education.

This was a great way to share our school motto 'Aspire, Believe, Achieve' and raise aspirations.